



Captive to Love

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*What use is freedom
When barred from ones heart's desire?
What value has truth
When the world heeds the liar?*

*And what good does love do
When it reaches in vain
For the one whom it yearns for
But never can gain?*

*And what sort of justice
Takes a man from his child
Though they both love each other
With love undefiled?*

*What profit has reason
If her voice is ignored
And nobody listens
Though her soul be outpoured?*

*And what worth has life
When it's so full of pain
And ones peace and ones joy
Have gone down the drain?*

*For a wall is a prison
If it blocks the one way
On which you would go
Without further delay.*

*No cage is more squalid
Than one of the heart
And you pine for your loved one
From whom you're apart.*

*No bars are more heavy
Than those that conceal
Your nearest and dearest
Whose absence you feel.*

*No locks hold me prisoner,
No walls keep me in,
But they keep me without
And away from my kin.*

*I can feast all I please,
But I'd have bread and water
If I could but spend
More time with my daughter.*