

Marillion, The Invisible Man

(Hogarth/Kelly/Mosley/Rothery/Trewavas)

The world's gone mad
And I have lost touch
I shouldn't admit it
But I have.
It slipped away while I was distracted
I haven't changed
I swear I haven't changed
How did this happen?
I didn't feel myself
Evaporating...

My body has gone
But my eyes remain
Hovering. Witnessing.
Cold as a ghost ..watching the streets
Sheltering in doorways of
Venice, Vienna,
Budapest, Krakow, and Amsterdam

I have become the invisible man

The invisible heart beating against you
The invisible pulse silently thumping

I shout my name in the public places
No one seems to notice
No one understands
I stand perfectly still
In the middle of the road
I hold my nerve
I hold my nerve
Hold my nerve
But the cars don't swerve

I will hear your prayers
As you whisper alone
I am the one you felt was close
Close behind you in St.Stephen
You lit a candle
Blessings in the cold night air

I'll feel your breath as you turn to go
I'll watch you leave
From somewhere up high
As you cross the park
In the Autumn light
In the Autumn light
In the Autumn light

If I close my eyes
I can see where you live
Climb the winding stairs
Up to your apartment
The scent of you preparing
His evening meal
I must watch in dread
When he's cruel to you
In horrified silence
As you make love
I cannot lift a hand
Lift a hand to stop him
I don't exist What can I do?

What can I do?

I will scream in your ear
As you're passing by
I will wrap my arms around you
You won't hear, you won't feel me
I will walk stride for stride with you
I will try to help
When you stumble
You will stumble through me.

I have become the invisible man
It's all I am
Invisible

I have read all your letters
I know what you contain
I have dreamt your dreams
My head..
My head is haunted
I will scream again
"I am perfectly sane"
"I am perfectly sane"
But I am
The invisible man
I am
The invisible man

Talk to me
Acknowledge me
Confide in me
Confess to me ... or
Leave me be
Leave me be.