

# Me Without You, My Exit, Unfair

My exit, unobserved, my homesickness, absurd  
I said "water," expecting the word  
Would satisfy my thirst!  
Talking all about the second and third  
When I haven't understood the first.

Jonah, where's that boat going -  
Your ship set with eager sails?  
There's a swirling storm soon blowing  
And no use, fishermen, in rowing from a consecrated whale!

And just like the clouds they bring a darkness and a hard rain's gonna fall  
I felt the crowds bring a loneliness and a hard rain's gonna fall.

She always weighed me down  
But, afraid I might need her, I dragged her around  
(It's best to keep close sackcloth and ash in a whitewashed town)  
She wore that phony smile on her face,  
I guess like a bandage on a wounded place  
While I kept the keys to every old lock just in case.

Rehearsed indifference tossed aside,  
Our narrow arms spread wide,  
"What unseen pen etched eternal things on the hearts of humankind -  
But never let them in our minds?"

The clouds they brought a darkness  
And a hard rain's gonna fall  
And all my laughter ends in emptiness  
And a hard rain's gonna fall.  
My every medicine causes more illness  
And a hard rain's gonna fall  
And until I let you go I didn't know, you were never mine at all

But now I spend my days in ever-increasingly complicated ways  
Convincing myself of the rightness of each word I say  
My exit, unfair if unobserved! My exit, unfair if unobserved!  
Ya sabur, subhannallahi, a-uduhu billah minash-shaitnair-rajim, al-hamdu lillah, bismillahir rahmani