



## Mappe Of ~ *A Northern Star, A Perfect Stone* Lyrics

### CAVERN'S DARK

The cancer eats your lungs  
Tearing up and trimming the brush beside your bed

And now your body's cold  
Settling for sympathy and carrying the weight  
But it's not that simple

I'm not the first of your kind  
But I won't be the last to say you were right and I should have known, but no  
remorse

I'm a martyr's son  
A northern star, a perfect stone  
Ripping out the stains in my clothes  
A cavern's end, the lamps are out  
I feel you in the dark and I am found

### NIMBIN

My brothers haven't written since they made for the coast  
I hope that they have found the lives that they wanted most  
I haven't ticked the days away the past I can't retrace  
But seven years is long enough to forget my face

I walked along that mountainside to find a place to run  
Footsteps on a broken fence toward salvation  
Ask me what I'm searching for a place to lay my head  
Or fleeing from my mother's eyes a morning sun red

Heaven circles round the fire burning aimless souls  
Write a line to kill the time or tell us of your home  
Of the life I can recall a faint tinge of guilt  
How could I abandon them the house my father built

I'm alone, I'm alone, severed growth a mortal home  
Vagabond won't you carry on, vagabond won't you carry on

The shoes I gave without the soles to some bearded folk  
I tipped my cap to Adelaide and hung out the window  
Screaming with the ocean's guide I look to the sun  
They'd give anything and everything to do what I had done

## **KAEPORA**

I awoke in a tree, I'd blossomed from its leaves, I awoke into a brighter dark  
A fairy of the forest, came into the open, shouting from its blinding eye  
We ran into the brush, the violence and the musty centre of our father's heart

The spiders on the walls, cascading waterfalls and caverns of the strangest fear  
Pouring from the ceiling, brandishing and reeling, finally I pierce the eye  
Suddenly a spark, the aura of a heart and a way out

Came into a clearing  
Only the wood providing shielding

Then came the night, and the skulls, the howling of the wolves  
They cowered in fear  
They cowered in fear at the sun in their eyes, at the light crawling near

Wounded in the mountains, healing from the fountain, trials in the heart of caves  
Carrying the stones, a boy without a home, a reckless and unbounded child  
Entering a tomb, where time would not move until I had grown

## **CARBON SCORES AND SMOKE**

You're a victim of a restless mind

You burned it down  
The home you could have found  
with everyone inside

You let your mind  
your foolish, selfish pride  
Bring structures to the ground

They watched your body  
Fly straight into the sun  
Rain down upon the earth

You left your mark  
The carbon scores and smoke  
The screaming from the hall  
The pain you could have stopped

You're a victim of a restless mind

## **UNFOUND**

You gave your love to God, till he stole it from your bed and there you wept  
For forty years inside of your head

You saved the written word from an almost certain death but never read  
The final page of the journal you kept

But long before he found you  
You left your traces so permanent, so permanent

Before you leave  
You let him make his peace  
Tie all the strands and loose ends  
And honestly  
I never saw him in me  
But I hope someone else does  
For all his fears and his flaws

Deteriorate the mind, stealing all its blinding light, now tell me why  
Is it sacrifice, for all of mankind

Only the bravest one, who has tears turned into blood will soon be blind  
Is it irony or the cruelty of time  
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You left your traces so permanent, so permanent

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Carried to the deathbed, by the ones you've come to love though names are lost  
"But Father, can I ask you this?  
Do you ever think... will it come to this? 'Hello, I am your son'?"

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## **RUIN**

Bowing at the feet  
Gnawing at the bone  
Capsizing and baptizing  
All your love has grown to hate  
Collapsing in the street

Take cover  
Or hold yourself above the world  
Just keep away from me  
Cut ties  
You'll hardly recognize me  
You'll hardly recognize me

## **PEACEFUL GHOSTS**

Your silhouette is on the door  
The subtle steps the creaking floor  
You came to hold me in the dark  
To soothe the searing pain that sealed this coat of arms

You came across my weathered home  
The walls were blank but still were warm

Careful with your light now brother, I have lost them all  
See that restless tide now coming down on you alone  
Careful with your light now honey, that I fear the most  
I carried it to bed and now it's carrying you home

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I carried it to bed and now it's carrying you home  
With these peaceful ghosts

### **III: CERULEAN**

Light me a fire inside my keep  
Take my home away  
Take with you my hesitations  
The moon and the sun and the constellations  
Fearing love and lightning strikes  
Cradle to the funeral pire  
With the cracks of the oars  
To the light on the shore  
From these treacherous tides you will take flight