**To Katherine in Costa Rica**

*January 28, 1994*

A few thoughts from the heart.

A poor attempt to share my soul.

Some hope. Some steps. A start.

I love you. Miss you. Wish we could connect.

It seems so simple. Simply what we are.

So right. So true. So clear.

So natural. So warm. So near.

And yet, how could one suspect?

Alas so very far!

Moments shared. A glimpse of what could be.

Love and hurt.

My poor heart sings with hope.

And then,

A fog sets in.

And what my poor eyes see!

Agony.

Euphoric bliss.

Pain and ecstacy.

Peering in a window

At a fire with flames of gold.

Tasting bits of honey, till

One thought oh so old.

The wind blows true.

The moment stirs.

On the outside peering in.

Standing in the cold.

Standing on an island brilliant,

Surrounded by a void.

On the distant shore my love

Will not heed my call. My plight.

Casts me down to blackest night.

Whispers with a voice so sweet

Those dreaded words of yore.

No. No spark. No chemistry.

No and no and no again.

Now and then.

Tomorrow. When.

No as no before.

Oh such strength from just your touch.

Happiness to know you wait.

Peace to sleep beside you. Such

Joy and warmth as we stir to wake.

The rest of time.

All the world awaits us if we only dare.

Do you know? Can you see?

Feel how much I really care?

Do it. Feel it. No wet. No loss.

Strength and love beyond compare.

Our bodies momentary shells

to hold our souls and house our minds

Let them blend

Let me in

Let us know

our birthright true.

Taste the unrestrained

union of our kind.

Bring forth a life

a being who

our mutual worth

can give, bequeath

our essence for all time.

Hold nothing back.

Total trust.

Let all of us entwine.

Merge.

Combine.

Cast off the past.

Old tastes or thoughts.

Smell or touch or lust.

Embrace the now. The future cries for such.

No need to tread old fields or paths

of what I speak is what will last.

Eternal youth is in the heart

This pilgrim knows that much.

Open up to what is real

Learn truly love

Let your very inner being

know me. Dare to feel.

I love you Katherine.

I will.

Now. Tomorrow. Forever.

Till the end of space and time.

With all my heart and soul and mind.

I ask for leave to share your world.

For you to come share mine.