

*Topic: Suffering*

## **Oh, I wish...**

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It was just a dream, a nightmare that I woke up to  
it was just one painful night that I had to go through  
it was just a dream where I'd lost everything  
it was just a temporary wound, a one night's sting.

Oh, I wish it was just a dream...

Because I cannot swallow the truth if it is so,  
because the reality was an unexpected tremendous blow  
because the reality turned my world upside down  
because within layers of me, I did drown.

Oh, I cannot swallow the truth...

As the change is very abrupt  
as it is very difficult to confront  
as the outcome is disastrous  
as the acceptance is very strenuous.

Oh, I can't handle this anymore...

for the pain has reached a new degree  
for the pain has now embraced me  
for the pain has engulfed me within  
for the pain has become my identical twin.

Oh, can someone please help me...

or I may be trapped in this agony  
or the pain may form a cavity  
or I may live forever unhappily  
or I may lose faith in humanity.

But Oh dear pain, embrace me sometimes,  
for it is you who made me strong  
for it is because of you I write these songs

for it is you who formed this strong shield  
for it is because of you I can stand still in this windy field.

And Oh dear storms, devastate me sometimes  
so that I know the value of a peaceful mind  
so that I learn tampered things are meant to be left behind  
so that I know it's good to be broken at times  
because that's when my words and heart rhyme.

**- Muskaan Jain**