## Believing Everything I Read In Your Upturned Eyes

by Darryl Price

It doesn't have to be force grown between us. We entwine naturally. It's a good feeling to have a friend who at once doesn't require a hothouse ceiling laid between each invisible touch. There's just wind. There's just rain. There's just sun. There's just you. There's just me. They may want more. More sailboats. More soaked clothing. More incidental sad

music coming from strange pungent doorways, but I like the music of your own self, so sweet. We entwine naturally. In shade. In clouds. In swirling blues. I don't care. They hate anything happy. It's always been the same. Don't want to make poetry out of it. I just want to walk down the same street alive in it. We entwine. Your

candle smile takes me anywhere it wants. This is the meaning of a life full of miraculous grace. Let them laugh. I might agree a twisted tree can be quite the cynical sight, even cruel, but only if met with a cold, cold heart. We entwine

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and nothing gets crushed out of the picture. We entwine naturally. I only

freely celebrate the fact because I'm joining in with the chorus already in progress in your eyes. Naturally we entwine. How could it be otherwise? Let them stare. Let them point. They can't see in our dream. We entwine and stars begin to motor up behind golden sunsets like stage lights. I only want you to know this.dp

## Bonus poems:

The Flaming Stars by Darryl Price

We met, you can't deny that. Out of all the fool ways the flaming stars could simply disintegrate and then sprinkle themselves over the cooling of eternity, we met somewhere out on the blue planet's

swirling surface anyhow. How many curious things are in the way of that ever happening to us? You could name just about anything, a soft frozen butterfly, a faraway hypnotic

whispering drum beat, or an echoing floating sunset, a drunken rooster, and the thing could either get in the way of all pure communication or open like an Elvish door to let you through and

get you one inch closer to the unique monument of standing there alone and together. I get it. There are always going to be fresh forces pulling us apart again. But for that meeting they

brought us together. From that time on we still were flowing over into greater different oceans of our lives. We met, and that brought me a sort of painful kind of permanent joy, I guess because I'm

still looking at the disappearing spot where you left me. No one else seems to mind. They pretty much are over it. Only poets seem to remember such things as songs to commemorate such a friendship. dp

A Message From The Road by Darryl Price

There is no other message now that means more besides the love we all can feel. Sometimes it comes to us and at other times it comes from us, but only because a heart somewhere is opening. At that point

we have an easy hard choice to make, either to accept that lucky grace and be thankful for it or to childishly reject it in the name of pride or arrogance. Even though that is mostly true, it's also true that many of our actions have been made sadder by our own fears. The virus of fear is a mighty sore symptom of misunderstanding and blocked thought, but it doesn't.

need to overwhelm who you are to yourself-- because the

love remains where you are as a being, too, always.

It simply requires your meaningful participation, your free yes despite

the pain and suffering you may be experiencing at any given moment. Give what you can into the spirit of

love wherever you are standing, sitting or lying down today. There's no amount too small, no amount ever rejected or sent back for more. You will receive it again somewhere somehow tenfold because it is generous in its central nature.

It's no trick of the imagination. It is the very instantly recognizable action of kindness. Any kindness. Any kind thought.

Any kind word. Any compassion. Any empathy. It moves the universe in a more beautiful direction, away from pitiful bitterness

and into a worldwide celebration of inclusion and toleration, not exclusion and loneliness, nor just simply selfish desire. It always has, as it always will be the voice of mercy and goodwill in each circumstance. And it is just as

much you as it is me or anyone else. Please so won't you show some hope with us in your own dignified and special way of doing things, a way that most easily opens your own heart without hesitation? Thanks.