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# Fountain of Light

When all around there is darkness and night With only the twinkling stars dispersing their dim light The vast obscure sky might intrigue and baffle us And at times generate desolate thoughts in us But in such moments of gloom and despair Let's remember a fountain of light is always there The infinite reservoir of strength we are innately endowed with Lies dormant, waiting for us to explore and fathom it. Bottled up in the deepest recesses of our heart Like precious pearls hidden in the ocean's bosom vast This sparkling glow simply awaits its release from captivity Daring our hands to explore its magical power and hidden mystery. Like zillions of fireflies glowing, this fountain surrounds As though a glittering geyser of hope and love flows unbound Showering divine glory and benedictions profound Dispelling all despair and negativity from all around Once this conjuring trick we learn to master It insulates us against any unforeseen disaster Its pure radiance illumines every dark alley Brightens life's pathways and rains a bliss sublime and holy.

# Picture on the Wall

The rising sun, its deep orange hues
The tranquil waves, the ripples of water,
On its bosom the twosome duo
Rowing the small boat with oars
Rhythmically, with abundant gaiety and cheeriness
Embarking on to a journey, it seems
To a land of festivity, of sunny dreams
Everyday looking at these radiant images
In the picture on my living room wall
Fills me with delight and hope
And lifts my spirits, as it enthralls.

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### The Morning Mist

With the footsteps of winter approaching on tip-toe My passionate heart finds resonance, now going fast, now slow Ever since my childhood, I have always felt a pull Towards cool misty mornings, so enchanting and beautiful

Everything all around seems to wear an opaque garment What lies behind this hazy veil fills you with amazement The trees, the houses, the roads, the lampposts All touched, as it were, with a magic stick Play hide and seek, now visible, now doing the vanishing trick

As a kid, I used to love the steam coming out of my mouth When I let out my breath and saw it drift all around; Cycling my way to college on the misty winter morning With the hazy pathways, and dark mysteries their corners adorning

The progressing years in no way have diminished my crazy fancy The inscrutable misty charisma is as deep as in my infancy Now when I go for a relaxing walk on a morning wrapped in mist Those precious memories of yesteryears as a song dance on my lip

Oftentimes I ask myself, as I am filled with wonder After all what treasures do these sights and sounds have to offer, But no clear answer emerges from my heart's recesses The mysterious touch of a misty morning soothes me like mother's caresses.