

**WORDS**  
to  
**BABASONGS**

by Max Reif

The Wake-Up Man

(Chorus)

Sleep, children, sleep,  
 All quiet in the nursery.  
 Dream, children, dream,  
 The Wake-up Man is on the way.

- 1) The little man, all dressed in pink  
 Is entering the nursery.  
 He sees the sleeping children,  
 And guards them while they dream.

(Chorus)

- 2) Watch Him walk, just watch Him.  
 His step is very light.  
 His eyes, see how they twinkle,  
 And flash from left to right.

- 2) Just like a cat, so nimble,  
 You hardly can believe.  
 And the Silent Music of His Laughter  
 Rings out that He'll never leave.

(Chorus)

- 4) And He sees the sleeping children,  
 And rocks them while He beams.  
 And when He knows they're ready (pause),  
 He wakes them from their dreams.

(Chorus)

Stars In Your Eyes

(Chorus)

Stars in Your eyes,  
 Telling me to glow.  
 Stars in Your eyes,  
 Telling me to know  
 Who I am.

- 1) Sometimes I wonder what went wrong  
 So very long ago,  
 And why it got to hurt like that  
 When I got to feeling low.  
 But when I see You smile at me,  
 I know You're always there.  
 And if I can just find You,  
 I'll find Love everywhere,  
 Find Love everywhere.

(Chorus)

- 2) Take me on a Journey  
 To a deep and golden Sea,  
 Where bathed in golden spray  
 I'll become You and You'll be me.  
 Take me ever travelling,  
 Then bring me Home again,  
 To turn the teardrops into dew  
 In the weary world of men,  
 In the weary world of men.

(Chorus, followed by instrumental)

3) Oh, once I was a pile of bones,  
A pile of rags and feathers,

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Dear Mehera,

Here are several fairy-tale type stories about Beloved Baba and inspired by His Life.

I hope you will enjoy them.

There are more, and God Willing, a book of such tales, and those inspired by His Path, will be professionally published and widely disseminated.

In His Love,

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- 3) Oh, once I was a pile of bones,  
 A pile of rags and feathers,  
 All lying in a messy room,  
 Never changing with the weather.  
 But You've shown me that behind that room  
 Is an Ocean full of Sun.  
 And now I'm on the painful Road  
 To see where I've come from,  
 See where we've all come from.  
 (Repeat Chorus twice)

### Meher (Calypso)

- 1) Oh, Higher Self, I knew You,  
 But now I am down here.  
 I'm longing to look through You,  
 With Your look so clear.

(Chorus): Meher, Meher,  
 Once again I'll sing Your Song.  
 Meher, Meher,  
 And join You in Your Game.

- 2) I'm longing for Your Lightness,  
 But You say it's Nighttime still,  
 I'm longing for Your Brightness.  
 Won't You let me sing.

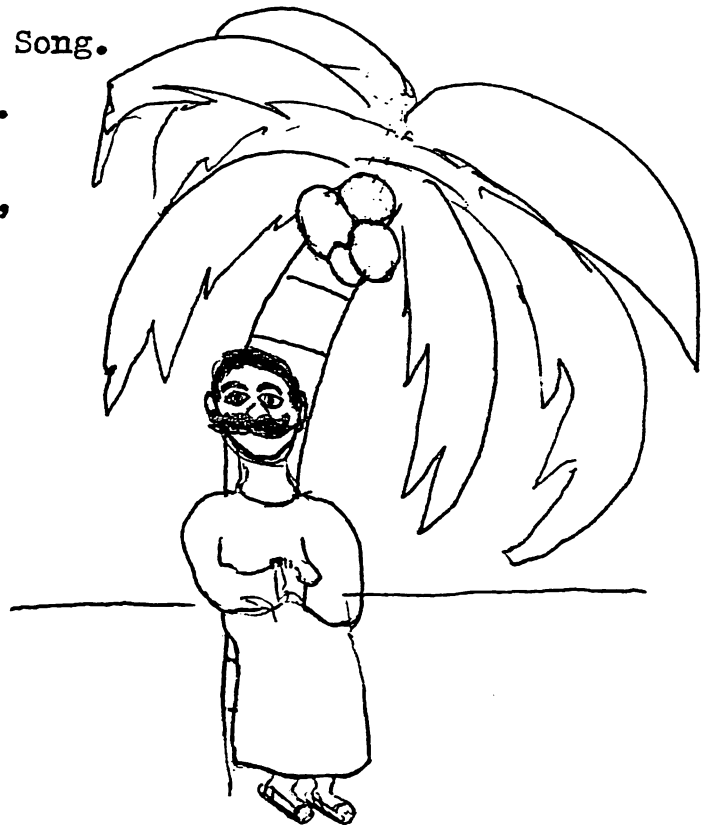
(Chorus, followed by instruments)

- 3) I'm always talking to You.  
 Can I hear You talking back?  
 I'm nothing if not through You.  
 Then I'm Everything.

(Chorus)

- 4) Oh, always I can feel You,  
 If I can forget myself.  
 Nothing can conceal You,  
 When I start to die.

(Chorus twice, ending with "Ole'!")



### Tread Lightly

Tread lightly, my friend,  
 For you've been betrayed before.  
 Travel lightly,  
 For you know you've been taken for the floor.

The tears that you've cried will become the Ocean  
 of Love in which you'll drown.  
 The frown on your face will someday be turned upside-down.

When I set out on my Road  
 With my staff in my hand,  
 I followed a path of glitter,

But wound up in a desolate land,

And those years of shadow ripened me,  
To where I can now walk slow,  
My Road before me straight ahead,  
And I care not where I go.

Tread lightly, my friend,  
For you've been betrayed before.  
Travel lightly,  
For you know you've been taken for the floor.

The tears that you've cried will become the Ocean  
of Love in which you'll drown.  
The frown on your face will someday be turned upside-down.  
(repeat 3 times)

Not We But One

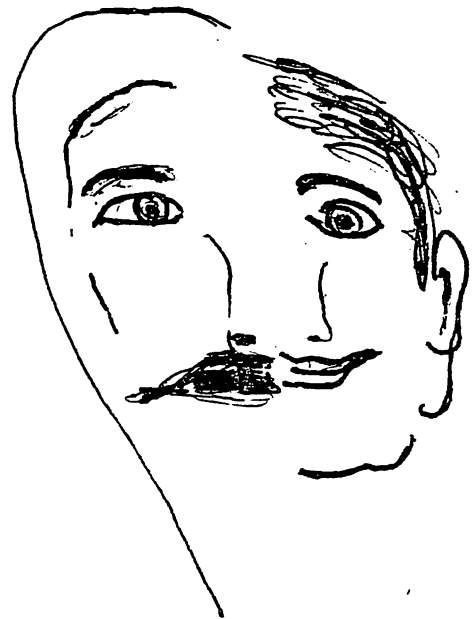
Not we but One,  
Not we but One,  
You and I are not we but One.  
(twice)

Spread the news,  
Spread the news,  
God and we are not we but One.

In the midst of Silence,  
In the midst of Love,  
God and we are not we but One.

Now e but One,  
Not we but One,  
You and I are not we but One.

Spread the news,  
Spread the news,  
God and we are not we but One.



Baba My Love

(Chorus): Baba my Love, Baba my Love,  
Baba my Love, Baba my Love, Baba my Love,  
Baba my Love, Baba my Love,  
Baba my Love, Baba my Love, Baba my Love.  
(twice)

1) You came, You went, I came, and I'm still here.  
Without You I thought life was something queer.  
Over and done though, now, are those things past.  
This Love we have will last and last and last.

(Chorus)

2) This world is just a sea of misery,  
Except that You have come to set me free.  
My Moses and my Jesus and my Friend,  
You're with me now and will be till the end.

(Chorus with "Meher, my Love" first two lines)  
 3) I never thought when I was young and new,  
 There could be one as beautiful as You.  
 All beauty is Your Beauty, and Your Kiss  
 Becomes a passion which will end in Bliss.  
 (Final two choruses. Alternate "Meher" and "Baba"  
 on last one.)

My Impressions Have Fallen In Love With Yours

My impressions have fallen in love with yours,  
 They make no bones about succumbing to your lures.  
 If it was just the way you wear your hat,  
 I'd let it go at that,  
 But all my impressions have fallen in love with yours.

My ego-mind has fallen in love with yours.  
 Your golden aura leaves me close to tears.  
 Is it the ribbons in your hair,  
 Or the little things you wear  
 That make my impressions do somersaults over yours.

Sanskarically you're A-ok,  
 But your form gets in the way  
 Of my seeing God so clear,  
 And my knowing He is near.  
 Your personality  
 Is all that I can see, since  
 My impressions have fallen in love with yours.

I loved you as a snake,  
 As clams together we were baked,  
 And as fishes we wound up in the same net.  
 So now that we are us,  
 Don't say you've had enough,  
 But let's see how much farther we can get.

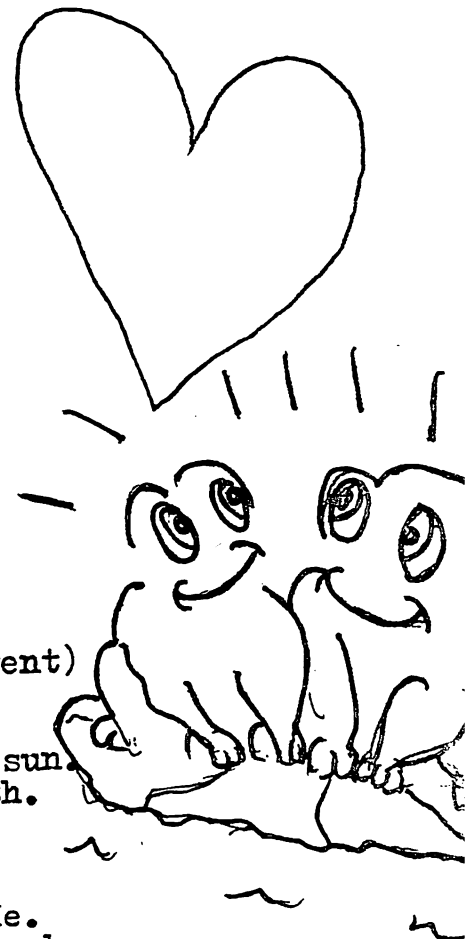
As a frog I cried an ocean when you croaked,  
 So babe, stay with me till we get life's Joke.  
 With the ego's termination,  
 You'll get a permanent vacation, but till then  
 My impressions have fallen in love with yours.

Lord Of The Dance (adapted for Meher Baba's Advent)

I danced on the day when the world was begun,  
 And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun.  
 I danced in the heavens and I came down to earth.  
 In Poona town I had my birth.

(Chorus): Dance, then, wherever you may be,  
 For I am the Lord of the Dance, said He.  
 And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
 And I'll lead you all in your dance, said He.

I danced for the Kasba Peth fishermen.  
 They danced with Me from beginning to end.  
 I danced for my long ago boyhood chums.  
 They came with Me and the Dance went on.



(Chorus)

I danced for the boys of the Prem Ashram.  
I released My Love to them from behind Its dam.  
I travelled the world laying cables of Love  
Down to the earth from My True Abode above.

(Chorus followed by instrumental)

I healed the lepers and the masts and the mad,  
I poured out My Love on the good and the bad.  
I travelled the world unrecognized,  
Hidden from men by the veils in their own eyes.

(Chorus)

My body was broken and My flesh grew weak,  
But from behind My eyes Divinity did peek.  
I finished My Work one hundred per cent,  
And then, as sudden as I came, I went.

(Chorus)

They buried My body at Meherabad.  
The Lord of the Universe lies beneath its sod.  
But I'll live in you if you'll live in Me,  
For I'm still the Lord of the Dance, said He.

(repeat Chorus twice)

"Dink's Song" (adapted from an American folk song  
collected by Alan Lomax)

If I had wings like Noah's dove,  
I'd fly across the river to the one I love.  
Fare Thee well, oh Baba, fare Thee well.

The One I love, He's All-in-All.  
He'll move the world like a cannonball.  
Fare Thee well, oh Baba, fare Thee well.

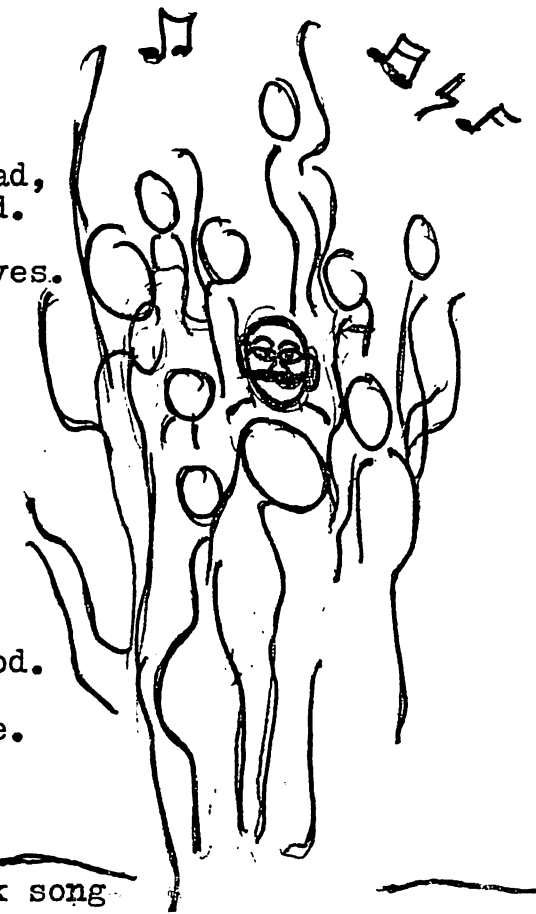
One of these days, and it won't be long,  
My heart will be burstin' with His Song.  
Fare Thee well, oh Baba, fare Thee well.

One of these nights in the drizzlin' rain  
All 'round my heart was Love's aching pain.  
Fare The well, oh Baba, fare Thee well.

(Repeat first verse)

I Am Such A Clumsy Man

I am such a clumsy man,  
Yet I'm doing what I can.  
Help me to pray  
To do better each day,  
Till I shine





with the poise  
Of the stars.

I am such a foolish son,  
Yet I'm trying to be one  
Who is useful to You,  
Doing what he can do.  
Help me  
To do better  
Every day.

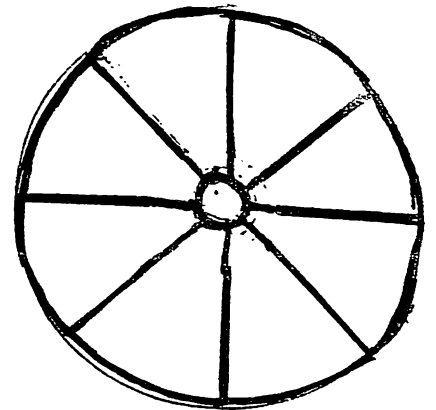
I am such a foolish child,  
And my nature is so wild.  
Help me guide its horse  
In the Path of Your best course.  
Help me  
To love You more  
And more each day.

(Instrumental, then repeat first verse)

### Get Off The Wheel

(Chorus) (Sung with some slight variations):

Get off the Wheel,  
Get off the Wheel,  
Open up your heart to feel,  
And forever  
Get off the Wheel.



- 1) The Wheel has been turning from age to age,  
And you have been on it as master and slave.  
And now it's come to the point of no return.  
Get off the Wheel, it's time you've earned its prize.

(Chorus)

- 2) The Wheel will crush you if you try to control it,  
So let it go, don't try to hold it.  
If you only understood,  
You would let Him take you from the Wheel for good.

(Chorus, then instrumental)

- 3) Love is the way to free yourself  
From the Wheel, on which you hang as on a tree,  
all by yourself.

Love can take you from the Wheel,  
So open up your heart and start to feel.  
He's real.

(Chorus)

- 3) On the Wheel you've been beggars,  
On the Wheel you've been kings,  
On the Wheel you've been millions and millions of things.  
Lifetime after lifetime you've come back again.  
This time stop its turning  
In the arms of the Friend.

(Chorus)

4) Meher Baba's your Brother,  
Meher Baba's your King,  
He is your Friend,  
He's Everything.

He's the One Who will take you from the Wheel.  
So open up your heart and start to feel.

(Chorus)

5) This Wheel of Illusion has been your school,  
But now it's time to go beyond its rule.  
See only God dancing in all forms,  
And get off the Wheel,  
And away from all harm,  
Forever.

(Chorus, twice)

Destiny

You cannot deny Me,  
So why even try.  
Leave the false life you're living,  
And know I do not lie.  
I will be your only lover,  
And you may not know why.  
But if you will embrace Me,  
You'll find Me by and by.

(Chorus) I am your Destiny,  
The Voice in you saying "Follow Me".  
Let yourself My lover be,  
And someday I will set you free.

Do what you must do,  
Not just what you are told,  
If you want to turn  
The lead of you to Gold  
You'll no more see just prison cells,  
Where souls are bought and sold,  
But know a new Reality,  
And feel new life unfold.

(Chorus, then instrumental)

Listen close within you.  
Listen for My Call.  
You may not deny Me,  
Or you will have a fall.  
I will give you Happiness,  
But you must give Me all.  
I am but a Seed within you,  
But My meaning is not small.

(Repeat Chorus twice)

