

## My Father Laid His Hand On My Shoulder

Written by Don Chaffer

All the malice I've felt  
Toward the people who've hurt me  
Was a dark lonely hole  
Where I ended up dirty

Trying to make sense  
Of what's fair and what's ugly  
So I drew my conclusions  
And I stated them smugly

When the adrenaline rush  
Of the wave of rage passes  
And I'm cold in that hole  
And there's mud on my glasses

I don't care anymore  
To issue all my subpoenas  
Or seek revenge on my foes  
Fulfill my grave-like agreements

### CHORUS

Though the world is a winter  
Growing colder and colder  
I remember the warmth  
When my Father laid His hand on my shoulder  
When my Father laid His hand on my shoulder

In my nightmares I've seen  
All the wrath and destruction  
Of my dark enemy  
And his lethal deduction

That if I've ever felt helpless  
If I've ever felt fearful  
Then he had right to accuse  
Pierce my side with his spear full

### CHORUS

But when I was shamefully weak  
And knew I should have been bolder  
I was strengthened again  
When my Father laid His hand on my shoulder  
When my Father laid His hand on my shoulder

### BRIDGE

It's not my duty to judge  
There's another who does so  
I am asked to forgive  
To release and to trust though

It's not my duty to die for the  
Sins I've committed  
I'm allowed to run free  
I've been fully acquitted

### CHORUS

All the days of my life  
And when I'm years and years older  
I'll remember the day  
When my Father laid His hand on my shoulder  
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## The Razor Light

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You set the table in your spirit  
Entertain the devil for a while  
And then you laugh at all his jokes  
Insisting it's alright-  
It's okay to smile  
But you are

Dancing with the demons  
And walking on the wall that borders hell  
Thinking "Right now, I'm not testing God,"  
But always wondering how you'd feel if you just fell

I'd like to say that it was simple  
Like a dog you don't want pregnant so you fix her  
But it's a matter of unconscious sin  
I don't know if you know it, but you're been brewin' up a strychnine elixir  
Because you're

Are you walking darkly  
To avoid the razor light  
Did you lose the taste of flesh and blood  
When you threw up late last night  
Is your soul in some fine limbo  
Between bitterness and lust  
Can you talk about the cross these days  
Without wincing in disgust

## Unwind

Written by Don Chaffer

Okay, here, You got my ear  
I found my way outta town  
I'm finally just sittin' down

Grinding gears and iron tears  
They've kept my mind occupied  
Didn't notice that I almost died

Lately I been lost  
God, I been turned around  
I've gotten so tangled up  
I need some help just to get unwound

I had a dream on a bed of steam  
That I got into a number of fights  
over a garden of earthly delights

Silver Sue and the camera crew  
They been talkin' bout my name in lights  
It's been a forty long days and nights

Now Diamond Joe, he's a gigolo  
And I been tryin' to get through to him  
About the ocean that he's tryin' to swim

How it's a lie that he could rely  
on some mystic saltwater seals  
to hear his last breath's appeals  
And save him before he dies

I been awful close to the fire  
Tryin' to get some folks to look up higher  
Cause there ain't much time  
Before the Earth's goodbye  
The lightning flashes once  
then it splits the sky  
And the ones He's known  
They're headed home

## I Am In My Being Here With You

Written by Don Chaffer

The deepest ties are the hardest to understand  
But the warmest to embrace  
And today I am assured of this  
At the seeing of your face  
In giving up myself to you  
I'm becoming more complete  
Darling, we're in the face of mystery  
But we're drawing from its heat

### CHORUS

I'll swallow all the problems  
I will swallow all the pains  
I'll drink this life together  
Down to the blood inside my veins  
I'll swallow all the pleasures  
I will swallow all the smiles  
I'll drink the life I have with you  
Down through the years and through the miles  
A song is in its singing  
A gift is in its bringing  
And I am in my being here with you

I've seen in you an oceanfront  
I've seen in you the skies  
And sometimes I when I'm suffering  
I find comfort in your eyes  
When the whole world starts to shaking up  
Right underneath my feet  
I remember, Darling, we're in the middle of a mystery  
But we're drawing from its heat

### BRIDGE

I love you so much  
It sometimes makes me weep  
It's so simple to say  
But it runs so deep... so very deep

## He Will Come

Written by Lori & Don Chaffer

Soon it will be hammered into what she calls her silly head  
That she really isn't silly but she's beautiful instead

But every time she gets a hold of something pretty, it slips away  
So she keeps hoping that someday soon

### CHORUS

He will come. He will come  
He will comfort all that's hardened  
Change the deserts into gardens  
And we all will see His face.  
He will come. He will come.  
He will soften all the starkness  
Break the chambers of our darkness  
And we'll all be overwhelmed

She spilled her coffee in her Chevy on the way to work at 8:05  
She always thought that she was clumsy and she hated it and wondered why

She can handle any tragedy that happens but not little things like this  
So she keeps hoping that someday soon

Within the world of a girl, the words she hears they mean an awful lot  
And the music in her mind when she gets older has the lyrics she was taught

And when she gets to heaven all the right things will be said  
And He will look on her with favor

All my scars will turn to fountains  
All my valleys into mountains  
And we all will see His face

All you watchmen lift your voices  
Then every boy and girl rejoices  
When we'll all be overwhelmed

## Take Jericho

Written by Don Chaffer & Kenny Carter

We're gonna take Jericho  
By blowin' them horns  
We're gonna take Jericho  
By blowin' them horns  
'Cause that's what my Lord said to do  
We're gonna take Jericho  
By blowin' them horns

We're gonna lift Him up  
When we're way way down  
We're gonna lift Him up  
When we're on the ground  
'Cause that's what my Lord said to do  
We're gonna lift Him up  
When we're way way down

### CHORUS

We can see Jericho coming  
Down down down down down  
Come on, brother, blow your horn  
Cause you know that Jericho is coming  
Down down down down down down down down

We're gonna cross that sea  
Walkin' on dry land  
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Walkin' on dry land  
'Cause that's what my Lord said to do  
We're gonna cross that sea  
Walkin' on dry land

## Go Find John

Written by Lori & Don Chaffer

Go find John  
Hiding in the backyard  
Crying cause his hands hurt  
All the thorns  
Crying for you to

Go find John  
Scattered and bewildered  
Swallowed by the dirt there  
All alone

### CHORUS

Go tell him  
I told him  
Go tell him  
He's welcome to come home  
Go tell him  
I know him  
He's tried and tried and nothing works at all

Go find John  
Drunk to kill the pain there  
Lying on a strange bed  
All the seed  
On the ground

Go find John  
Floating in the ocean  
In her dark apartment  
All alone