

Chris Antonik – Monarch

Song Lyrics

I'd Burn it All Down (For You) (*C. Antonik/B. Fisher/C. Keeping/T. Onyszczyk*)

My city's fair, and my city's kind
And I laid my fortress, one stone at a time
I've got the grand plan, take me, from Jellicoe to Kalamazoo
And while I built it up, I'd burn it all down for you

From the centre to the very edge, it's a long way out
But I ain't gonna circle back in a moment of doubt
So I'll light the fuse and walk through the fire to you
I've built it up, but I'd burn it all down for you
I've built it up, but I'd burn it all down for you

Oh I've been lonely, and I
I've been searching for you
But I'm not a failure,
For doing all the things I wanted to do

I've heard the doubts, and I've taken the knocks
Load up the judgments now, and take another shot
Cos it takes courage, son
Doing the things that they wouldn't do

But regardless what they say, I'd burn it all down for you
Yeah I've built it up, but I'd burn it all down for you

Oh I've been lonely, and I
I've been searching for you
But I'm not a failure
For doing all the things I wanted to do

I've built it up, but I'd burn it all down for you
While I've built it up, I'd burn it all down for you
I've built it up, but I'd burn it all down for you
I've built it up, but I'd burn it all down for you

You're Killing My Love (*M. Bloomfield/N. Gravenites*)

You're killing my love, day by day
You're killing my love, in every way
And if you succeed
Oh, it will hurt you till your dyin' day

What you done is murder, in the first degree
You don't dig your own self, why take it out on me?
You're killing my love
Oh, in every way
And if you succeed
Oh, it will hurt you till your dyin' day

Love is a person, who knows how to give in
The things I give you baby, I'll never see again
You're killing my love
Oh, in every way
And if you succeed
Oh, it will hurt you till your dyin' day

You've got me thinkin' murder, but you're not worth my time
You'll get what you deserve baby, later on down the line
You're killing my love
Oh, in every way
And if you succeed
Oh, it will hurt you till your dyin' day

Slow Moving Train (*C. Antonik/B Fisher/G. Kapelle*)

Gonna ride a slow movin' train
To rest my worried mind
Gonna ride a slow movin' train
To rest my worried mind
Gonna watch the world go by
On my own time

On a slow movin' train
I could watch the world at play
I might get to know it
I might seize the day
Oh it's growing so fast
Feels like it's slipping away

It seems only a child or a drunk can truly be here now
I tried so hard to be with her but I couldn't somehow
All of this, it ain't a young man's game

We took our love granted, but no one is to blame
We took our love granted, but no one is to blame
Maybe we'll meet again down the line
On a slow moving train

Gold Star (C. Antonik/G. Kapelle)

I forgive you, for not forgivin' me
Oh I forgive you, for not forgivin' me
I'm proud of all my changes
That you refused to see

I may have been unkind
But it cuts both ways
I know you can't let go
And you'd never, give me praise
But now that our love is over
I can honestly say

I don't need your gold star
It'll never be for me
I don't need your gold star
It'll never be for me
What's done is done and what will be will be

The hardest part of leavin'
Is what we leave behind
Oh the hardest part of leavin'
Is what we leave behind
But we need to work together
With our children on our mind

I don't need your gold star
It'll never be for me
I don't need your gold star
It'll never be for me
What's done is done and what will be will be

The Monarch & the Wrecking Ball (B. Fisher/C. Antonik)

A new door opens, an old one closes
Someone turn on the lights, turn on the lights
A familiar hallway, a well spun story
We still can't read the signs, read the signs

I'll be your flower if you'll be my honeybee
It'll feel like coming home
Like the monarch and the wrecking ball
We'll find a way

Heal your lover, someone once told me
Sounds like good advice, like good advice

A welcome notion, a drop in the ocean,
If we can stem the tide, stem the tide

If you'll be my daisy, I'll be your hummingbird
Let's feed each other
Like the monarch and the wrecking ball
We'll find a way

Heal your lover, feed each other
Heal your lover, feed each other

I'll be your flower if you'll be my honeybee
It'll feel like coming home
Like the monarch and the wrecking ball

If you'll be my daisy, I'll be your hummingbird
Let's feed each other
Like the monarch and the wrecking ball
We'll find a way

Heal your lover
Feed each other

Love, Bettike (*C. Antonik/B. Fisher*)

Big Oak Flat Road, broken down
East of Modesto, just south of Angel's Town
The hills were rolling as far as I could see
Only the twisted shade of the Manzanita trees

And there she stood, heart beating like the sun
Hair waving to the distance, same colour as the dust
I said, 'Are you here to help, to show me the way?
Cuz I've been feeling lost, a little more every day'
She said, 'You've been hard to love, cuz you've been chasing illusions
And while there's no more gold in this town, I can give you these words
'Let it go'

She said 'Take some time, and give a little to yourself
Only then can you give to everybody else
Cuz it takes all, yeah it takes all that you've got
To get to the heart of the matter, whether you're ready or not'

And she said 'you've been hard to love, cuz you've been chasing illusions
And while there's no more gold in this town, I can give you these words
'Let it go'

It's getting cold and there's a darkness coming down
At night the coyotes cry like babies
Come tomorrow, there'll be a new dawn on the rise
And you'll find the answers when you wake

I thanked her for sharing the magic in the air
I said 'I'm ready to go now, I've come a long way from here'
She said, 'there are no secrets about how it's done
Just keep forgiving and keep moving on'

She said... 'and you've known this all along, you just needed someone to show you
And now that feeling is gone, you can let it go'

Forgiveness is Free *(C. Antonik)*

I remember the day that you shot me down
With words like bullets, round after round
Oh you hurt me so bad
But you didn't get the best of me
While you cost me so much, my forgiveness is free

While you were warm in your electric shell
Your message travelled to me as cold as hell
Oh you hurt me so bad
But you didn't get the best of me
While you cost me so much, my forgiveness is free

Oh they say get a thick skin, it's easier said than done
The one thing I know for sure
It's the strong one that moves on

Oh they say get a thick skin, it's easier said than done
The one thing I know for sure
It's the strong one that moves on

Well you hurt me so bad
But you didn't get the best of me
While you cost me so much, my forgiveness is free

The Art of Letting Go *(C. Antonik/H. Lees/G. Kapelle)*

I am a dreamer with the soul of a child
That always needed to be heard
Sought comfort in sweet harmony
Filled up with all the wrong words

I wore those days like a chain 'round my neck
Weighed down 'til I could no longer rise
Like slowing down past a roadside wreck
I could only watch, now I realize

There ain't no perfect life, ain't no perfect love
There ain't no situation, I can't rise above
Maybe it's wisdom, maybe it's truth
Or maybe it's just the love that I know
Or maybe it's just the art of letting go

Peeled back the layers on bad memories
Put down on paper every word
Gave them all new meanings
Poured them out until the lines were blurred

The deepest feelings inside of me
Broke through the surface so I could breathe
A heart and soul delivery
I never thought that I would believe

Letting go of the anger, letting go of the pain
To find a place where I can love again
Cause when it burns like the sun and moves you to tears
It's a war of attrition gone on through the years no one could win.

There ain't no perfect life, ain't no perfect love
There ain't no situation, I can't rise above
Maybe it's wisdom, maybe it's truth
Or maybe it's just the love that I know
Or maybe it's just the art of letting go

All Our Days (C. Antonik/H. Lees/W. Dagenais)

At the end of life's long highway
Will our tears outnumber the stars?
Will the heartaches be too many?
Will you and I have gone too far?

Will we realize all the things we dared to dream?
When we count up the moments
Will we have saved enough good memories?

At the sum of all our days
At the sum of all our days
Will our loyalties divide, resentment multiply?
Will we only want to go our separate ways?

I wanna know, will love be the answer
At the sum of all our days

Well, I know you always wanted
A man in who you could believe
To live a life of simple pleasures
Of hard work and all those in-betweens

But I've been hard to love
My demons keep me warm and far from reach
I never gave you any foothold
Built a wall, impossible to breach

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Will our loyalties divide, resentment multiply?
Will we only want to go in our separate ways?
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I wanna know, will love be the answer
At the sum of all our days

New Religion (*C. Antonik/H. Lees*)

I got new religion
By my own design
I'm full of good intention
Dark days move to the side
Cuz I know I'll be alright
Cuz I know I'll be alright

Always making promises
And lying to myself
I kept on breaking windows
With the bottles on the shelf
Every day I left you further, further behind
I could barely stop the screaming clouding up my mind
Even though I'm free it's still waiting inside

I got new religion
By my own design
I'm full of good intention
Dark days move to the side
Cuz I know I'll be alright

Hold on – I'll stay above the water line
Hold on – Keep your steady hand in mine

Hold on – We're heading for a better day
Hold on – I've finally got the strength to say

I got new religion
By my own design
I'm full of good intention
Dark days move to the side
Cuz I know I'll be alright

Hungry Ghost (*C. Antonik/G. Kapelle/H. Hill*)

Oh hungry ghost, you never had a chance
You were born and left alone,
They knocked you down, and waged their war
Instead of helping you home

You know all about forsaken life
Cutting your sadness with a worn-out knife
And while you may never rise above
Your broken heart's no match for love

Your dependence keeps you down and out
An understanding you're blue
But to criticize is to paralyze
Kind hearts will see you through

You know all about forsaken life
Cutting your sadness with a worn-out knife
And while you may never rise above
Your broken heart's no match for love

In a different kind of world
With a different kind of start
Back in your mother's loving arms
Nurtured by her heart
She'd whisper you're enough
And float a lantern home

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Cutting your sadness with a worn-out knife
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A Slip in the Rain (*B. Fisher/P. Reddick/C. Antonik*)

He stopped by the Only Café, it hasn't changed at all
He stopped tryin to forget, he could hear the devil's call

All these days, you just can't tell
All these nights, I wish him well
All he knows, there's a heaven outside of hell

It's just a slip in the rain, just a cloud covered day
But he was born to be loved, so he's walkin' away

A hungry ghost's reflection
There in the window pane
While outside it's pouring
Inside the wine's just the same

All these years she was by his side
But all these years, he was never satisfied
And all he knows, he will love her till the day he dies

It's just a slip in the rain, just a cloud covered day
But he was born to be loved, so he's walkin' away

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Everywhere I Go (*B. Fisher/P. Olsen*)

Set the scene, Côte d'Azur
Everything I was hoping for
Deal the cards, roll the dice
Put on a pinstripe I'll be betting high

Everywhere I go, still I find
I'm wading in the water but I got you on my mind

Tie the line, come ashore
Andalucía I adore
Sip the wine, siesta time
Breathe in gently, the air is fine

Everywhere I go, still I find, still I find
I'm wading in the water but I got you on my mind

Open mouth, knock me down
New York City ole' London Town

Everywhere I go, still I find, still I find,
Still I find, I got you on my mind

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