

IN A DREAM

I fall asleep and find myself in a dream
Serenity, peace, joy, love.
Images of what might be
Once upon a time.

I am normal here.
There is no sickness, anxiety or fear.
I do not worry about tomorrow
For today is all there is.

I feel I belong here
Finally I fit.
This is my home.
I am loved, wanted, needed, and respected.

Suddenly the sun dies
And blackness surrounds me.
The only light is from the full moon.
Grotesque shapes appear
As dream gives way to nightmare.

Monsters roam on nights like this.
They come toward me.
I run from some faceless monster.
Faster and faster, I must get away
It wants me dead.

I stop. I want to run, but I cannot.
I turn and there before me is the monster
Has he come to help?
No, he is my enemy
The devil is his name.
He glares at me,
His eyes are full of malice
He says he's come to help me,
but I don't believe him.
He is a liar.

He's a monster, a witch
Evil incarnate, the devil is your name
Son of Satan, you tell me lies
You tell me God hates me
And only you love me.

Yet you hurt me every day
You beat me, torture me
So I'll do your bidding
You rape, you pillage, you kill my soul.

You are the goat-man
The terror of my existence
All in the name of Satan
I'm terrified of you.
Confusion reigns.

You told me you'd kill me
One Halloween night
I'm scared you were serious
When will it happen?
You didn't say when.

I want the dream back
I don't want to live in this
Nightmare any longer
I will be happy when I see you dead.

Die, Son of Satan, Die!
Then you won't be able to
Hurt any other child
I would do to you
Everything you did to me.
And I would laugh at your pain
The way you laughed at mine.

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