

Arbour of Light Album

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1 Outline

Album: "The Arbor of Light: A Seeker's Journey"

1.1 "Lost in the Forest" (The Lost Sheep)

Synopsis: The protagonist is lost, wandering in a dying forest, distant from spirituality.

Biblical Inspiration: Parable of the Lost Sheep, Luke 15:4-7 Tree Imagery: Withering trees,

barren landscape Mood/Chords: Dark, introspective

2020/0104.txt:30:I am Q'uo and am aware of your query, my brother. We believe that you have quite eloquently stated the basic principle with your analogy of the sinkhole of indifference being that place wherein there is a, shall we say, a momentum of indifference—which is a paradoxical way of stating it, we realize. 2020/0104.txt:33:The sinkhole of indifference, then, begins to draw all into it that are of this nature that have no concept of moving beyond that which is in their lives at present and that which has been as it is now. So, this is a kind of momentum of a reverse order that does not allow movement forward

in consciousness. The heart is hardened, the mind is closed, the movement is miniscule, thus, there is no progress in the spiritual sense. 4 2020/0104.txt:35:It is a difficult situation for entities to escape, for it has been their experience in other planetary influences where they were also unable to generate the faith and will that would take them forward into the fourth density of love and understanding, and had, therefore, the necessity of repeating that experience upon your Mother Earth. This sinkhole of indifference, then, becomes their reality, and encases them within its strictured walls. There is very little chance it would seem that such entities would have any possibility of moving beyond their self-created prisons. 2020/0104.txt:38:I have a couple of quick follow-ups to that question, thank you so much Q'uo. One is about what causes or contributes to this sinkhole of indifference. It seems like you were saying habituation is one primary cause—it's just what entities are used to over who knows how many incarnations and planets. I think another is the diversity of planetary origins on this planet. Are there any other significant contributing factors to why so many are in a sinkhole of indifference? new speaker Q'uo 2020/0104.txt:59:Many, however, prefer to remain within the sinkhole of indifference, or, even to move in opposition to such efforts if their own mental complexes have been biased in such a manner as to see some reason whereby all entities cannot benefit from the society at large, that all entities are not, indeed, the same, that all entities are not the One Infinite Creator. 2020/0104.txt:60:There has been, for many entities within the sinkhole of indifference, a kind of coloring of the perception through which the world is seen, so that there is seen to be a difference that makes some greater and some lesser, and the self seen to be in the greater portion of the division, however unable to move beyond the own self-perceived limits that are encasing the entity within the deleterious images, self-created and self-maintained.

1.2 "Trees of Desolation" (Despair and Suffering)

Synopsis: The protagonist's despair, mirrored by burning and breaking trees. Biblical Inspiration: Lamentations 3 Tree Imagery: Fire, destruction Mood/Chords: Dissonant, intense

relevant quotes from confederation of planets: 1993/0925_01.txt:29:These illusions to come are far different than your rough-and-tumble moment of choice. There is not the suffering, for there is not the veil of forgetting betwixt the conscious incarnate self and the deep Self that is aware that all harmonizes into unity. In your brave illusion, you face the dragons of darkness, rage, pain, war, starvation and all the dark and monstrous forms of dread, fear and ignorance because you cannot clearly remember that these illusions are only that. It is intended that you become confused. You are supposed to be knocked completely off of your intellectual mountain. And in that momentous fall into the abyss, in midair, you pluck faith, undimmed by any objective proof that there is anything to be faithful to. You choose to live your love. 1998/0524.txt:16:We encourage each to love that part of you that does not get it. You cannot wake up out of this illusion. That is not why you came here. You came here to be buffeted and pummeled by suffering and pain and limitation until finally, finally you surrender your intellect. You give up your logic and you move from head to heart. My friends, it is in the heart that the Creator is waiting for you, whole, complete and loving you with an intensity and utter compassion that is so real and so vital that there is no response but to love the Creator in return. This is not something for which you must reach. This is not something for which you can reach. You may sit in meditation for days and weeks and months and you will feel spiritual, but you will not necessarily be spiritual. For spirituality is in the being. It is in the self as you bring your self to the moment. It is in the attitude of self that, by faith alone, waits for that still, small voice, that intuition, that guidance that will tell you when to come in and what to say, that will enable you to look at a hopeless situation as far as harmonizing with another and say, "I reject the hopelessness of this situation. I will rest and wait for the rhythm to catch up. 2007/1110.txt:36:For third density was not designed to be a quiet and steady dive to the center of self. It was designed to be turbulent, as the shaker that breaks rocks into pieces or large pieces of ceramic into small pieces of ceramic, polishing them and shaping them by

friction and impact. 1990/0527.txt:10:We shall not, this evening, attempt inspiration, for each entity is aware that first the great power of the self that lies beyond abandonment, unworthiness and loneliness is that mystery of self which does not reveal itself except in darkest shadow. You are creatures starving, and you have only faith and hope, because you see that there is light and there is love and no one can deny either, and you see yourself as one whose quest for the truth cannot be denied. Does this then ally you with infinite and imperishable things? The intuitive answer is, "Yes," and this is the rock-bottom of despair, the thirst and blankness and emptiness of the desert, the time of no hope, except that there is always hope, because you cannot help but ask, "Why?" and seek "Why?" yet find the infinite values in substance to remain. Who among you or we can expect to remain in hopeful, cheerful and joyful conditions always? This we do not promise you, but rather promise you despair, darkness, loneliness and hopelessness. But never is that condition complete, because of that within you which hopes and lives by faith. "If you go to Sheol, I AM there. There is nowhere you can go that I AM not present," declares love.

1.3 "Branching Paths" (The Choice)

Synopsis: A divine messenger offers a path of growth; temptation lurks on the other side. Biblical Inspiration: Temptation of Christ, Matthew 4:1-11, Matt 25:34-46 Tree Imagery: Crossroads, choice between nurturing or harming trees Mood/Chords: Suspenseful, contemplative

relevant quotes: 1989/0618.txt:17:The third density, in which you now enjoy experience, is a density in which one thing is raised high before everyone's eye. And that is the choice: faith or doubt; light or darkness; hope or despair. Each time that you pass through the fire and find that you have learned something very difficult, you wipe your brow, metaphysically speaking, and say, "Ohh, I hope that is all I need to learn right now." My friends, your higher selves are ambitious for you. They are not content with a little of this and a little of that. They ask you for your life, and in return give you the sense of life eternal, which is the imperishable truth about each of you, for each of you is a consciousness which was before the world began. Each of you is a spark of God-self with a matching and appropriate amount of free will, set loose to make your own choices, to decide whether you shall serve others and serve the Creator, or serve yourself and so serve the Creator. 1997/0420.txt:12:But we would commend to your attention the virtue of confusion, the virtue and helpfulness of being caught, of being puzzled, of being taken out of oneself so that self is revealing self to self in a spontaneous manner. These characteristics of self provide the structure for learning within third density. They present to the seeker carefully orchestrated choices that are subjectively oriented to offer the best opportunity for polarization of consciousness. Without personality but simply with self-awareness and the choice before one the seeker will move without error into full awareness. Yet this awareness teaches nothing. It does not connect with that biological entity in a way which furthers spiritual evolution. It is the foolish personality, the ego, the self that thinks a million thoughts and does a million deeds in its heart, and that foolish entity alone that interacts with free will and finds ever deeper and truer choices that create and recreate and recreate the self ever anew. 1997/0426.txt:5:In the portion of the spirit's journey through the present octave that is third density, the crux or focus of the learning that is offered in third density is The Choice. This archetype of The Choice was referred to by the one known as (name). This archetypal image is of a young man stepping off into thin air—no suggestion of a bridge, no suggestion of another shore, but simply the walking off of a cliff in perfect faith. As each entity awakens to her spiritual identity, that which has awakened is in part that fool, and that which lies before that entity is a step into midair. And once that step has been made and the air has seemed to solidify about the new vantage point, a cliff will appear once more and the fool must needs step over that one as well, and the next and the next. And each time that this occurs, that seeker, that fool, has recomprised the choice. 2021/1105.txt:11:And yet, as each seeker continues the erratic movements to match this cacophony, there begins to unfold a certain pattern within the seeker's mind. The seeker begins to recognize a deeper rhythm and feel called

by a song they hear. Perhaps, at first, seemingly very far away in the distance and very difficult to discern amongst the noise, but more and more, as the seeker begins to move to this tune, it is realized that this beautiful song heard in the distance is the love and the light of the Creator beckoning the seeker to make the Choice and to dance in more elegant, and intelligent, and regular ways to the rhythm of this song.

1.4 "Covenant of Growth" (The Journey Begins)

Synopsis: Following a spiritual path, planting and nurturing new trees. Biblical Inspiration: Isaiah 61:3, Ezekiel 34, planting of oaks of righteousness Tree Imagery: Planting, growth Mood/Chords: Hopeful, uplifting

relevant confederation of planet quotes: 022/0323.txt:7:This is the great choice. This is the straight path. This is the means by which each conscious seeker of truth can begin to spread the good news, to spread the love in the light of the One Creator in whatever manner that you find available to you. This is your mission. This is your talent. This is a way in which you serve others and that that service then redounds unto you as well for you and your other-selves are one. As you serve others, you also grow in awareness and understanding of how this journey of seeking the open heart, the unconditional love of all beings and all things as the One Creator, is the golden rule. The golden path, the path illuminated by the Sun logos of your solar system as it sends each of you the love, light and light, love of the One Infinite Creator, to serve as the fuel for your journey of seeking and serving others, with every thought, with every word with every deed, every day, and every moment. 2022/0323.txt:8:This is how you double, redouble, and continually strengthen the polarization of your choice and the potential of the planetary population to begin to feel that radiance of love and light in unity that is the primary quality of each conscious seeker of truth. This is why you are here. This is the great field of endeavor for the disciples of love. This is where each step taken forward into the field of love, light, and unity is that which sparkles with the presence of the one within that powers the journey without. 2022/0309.txt:13:As far as other rituals that might be utilized by a person who wishes to purify or protect a place or room or location, we would suggest that one begin as the neophyte in the creation of one's own rituals, being composed of those qualities which one sees as being primary in not only the spiritual journey of one's own self, but in the spiritual journey of any positive seeker of truth. 2021/1201.txt:5:It is what every seeker considers at the beginning of the journey and also from time to time as the journey proceeds. For self-judgment, or self-reflection, is in some manner helpful to determine what the seeker feels are its strengths and weaknesses. And if this assessment is refined as time moves forward, as you would call it, then the seeker is able to make an helpful step in the direction of positive polarization when it utilizes its strengths and seeks to enhance what it considers to be weaknesses. If this can remain as an objective process, where the seeker is able to accept itself in both its strengths and weaknesses, then it is engaged in a self-reflective mode of conscious realization that will help it to make progress in its being of service to others, and to recognizing the Creator within others, and the Creator within the self. For these are spiritual attributes, that all seekers, and all entities, whether they be conscious seekers or not, share with each other. For it is the nature of reality that all is One, that each seeker is the Creator, that the Creator exists within each seeker. 1989/0813.txt:47:The refining of this great outpouring of caring is a work which will, shall we say, follow the nurturing of this passion in succeeding densities of experience. First the foundation must be discovered in the individual entity so that the beginning of conscious seeking and serving is placed upon firm ground. Let those errors in judgment fall as they may and nurture always that passion, that intention, that motivation. The refining shall find a time, a season within your being that is more appropriate for its expression. However, we are aware that as conscious beings each seeker and servant shall undertake a small portion of that refining as it continues one's journey in service and seeking. The motivating force that allows that journey to continue is passion, a great desire to be of service even if that desire shall fall short of the ideal.

1.5 "Orchard of the Soul" (Balancing Energies)

Synopsis: Awakening and balancing inner energies, mirrored by a thriving orchard. Biblical Inspiration: Psalm 1:3, a tree planted by streams of water Tree Imagery: Thriving orchard, fruitful trees Mood/Chords: Mystical, flowing

In terms of balancing the energies the root issue is having faith that all is well and all will be well, then avoiding submission or domination in relationships but instead recognizing the divine within self and other, and then likewise for group dynamics, forgiving, loving and accepting others and self. then raising it up to the heart with universal unconditional love for all God's creation, letting the heart of the father beat the rhythm in our chest. Then on to clear truthful communication, and respecting free will of others. then to contact intelligent infinity or holy spirit we need to feel worthy, recognizing the divine in ourselves in all aspects. And finally have to learn to challenge spiritual entities, by asking if they come from God and testify of Jesus Christ (Matt 15:26-28).

okay work all those into the song. relevant confederation of planets quotes: 1987/0510.txt the seeker is able to regularize the thoughts, desires, actions and words that proceed from its being, and to focus these energies in a manner that partakes of service to others toward a positive polarity, the entity is making of itself, and more specifically the energy centers or chakras of the metaphysical self, a kind of crystal that accepts the white light of the one Creator and refracts it in a balanced fashion so that each energy center lends its distinctive coloration of vibration and yields again the white light. 1996/1122.txt:41:As one works with all of these energies to balance them, one is literally making more room for energy from the Creator to pour in its original strength into the heart center. The problem with attempting to work in consciousness with ascended masters or entities such as we is that one is working from the top down, whereas the stable basis of energy shall always first depend upon the amount of energy that comes into the heart from the root chakra upward. No matter how much energy is called into the system from the heart, it must move downward to the place where the energy from the Creator has originated its entrance into the mind and body complex. Thusly, you see seekers who find themselves in desperate straits because they are attempting to open the heart by inspiration, and yet they have no home in which to place this inspiration; and so, like a bird, all that is felt from contact from that source flies away like lost hope and is gone when the eyes open and the entity is once again within the busyness of everyday life. 2016/1217.txt:18:Thusly balanced, your energy centers, at some point in your incarnation, will be free to allow the energy of the One Creator to move higher and higher until the green-ray energy center is activated. As this center is activated, then the harvest of the entity is near, for it is only necessary to clear the red, orange and yellow, in order to arrive at the green-ray energy center. The ability to love and serve others about one, more than one loves and serves the self, for this is the positive path of which we speak, and we are well aware that each within this circle of seeking is a positively oriented entity seeking to move the energies higher and higher in the positive sense. Then, if you are a doughty seeker, full of adventure, and wishing to experience more catalyst, it is possible to move higher and higher within the energy centers, until eventually the prana of the One Creator meets the intelligent infinity, the Polaris of the self, the North Star, residing within the indigo ray, and the fully experienced presence of the One Infinite Creator is possible. This is the great goal of all who seek this pearl of great price, shall we say. 2017/0318.txt:48:In the higher energy centers, those from green upwards, the will may be used in another fashion as well. Not only in the being able to soften the blockage, or solidity, of the configuration of mind and emotions that hold certain perceptions in place, but it may also have an energizing effect, so that these energies that are being held in place become more available to the seeker of truth; become more apparent and able to be utilized in a conscious fashion by such a seeker. These energies then can be worked with in the meditative state in order to balance them and allow the prana or intelligent energy of the One Creator to move further and further upwards along the centers or chakras within the energy system.

Okay now write it using anabaptist theme words, or at least secularized, so chakra can

be energy centre, and prana can be god's love, kinda thing.

1.6 "Grove of Sanctification" (Becoming Sanctified)

Synopsis: Embracing compassion, planting trees for future generations, spiritual transformation. Biblical Inspiration: John 15:5, vine and branches, genesis 2:8-9, Jeremiah 29:5-7, Isaiah 61:3, Psalm 92:12-13 Tree Imagery: Planting groves, future harvest Mood/Chords: Serene, graceful

Confederation of Planets quotes: 2009/0203.txt:14:This instrument is aware of a system of teaching by the one known as Rudolph called bio-dynamics.² It is a philosophical system which has practical applications in the field of agriculture. Farming bio-dynamically means seeing all of the farm as a universe, of which the farmer is an integral part. This theory envisions such a farm as a little universe, unique unto itself. It has its own grasses and herbs, its own fruit trees and other crops. And the animals upon the farm are moved from one pasture to another, spreading the seeds of the herbs and the grasses, so that in a very short number of years that farm is distinctive in its plants and its animals. And because the animals and the crops are rotated, the biota becomes richer and richer. Products from the animals together with the farmer's envisioning and various processes create manures that are specific to this particular little creation, so that the land is always being enriched, always developed to be fuller of life, always more able to receive the sunshine and the rain.

1.7 "Harvest of Love" (Living the Teaching)

Synopsis: Joy and fulfillment in service to others, harvesting trees. Biblical Inspiration: Galatians 5:22-23, Matt 25:34-40 fruit of the Spirit Tree Imagery: Harvest, abundance Mood/Chords: Joyful, triumphant

Confederation of Planets quotes: 1996/0324.txt:22:The way to pursue being a witness to the light is to live today. The hopes for tomorrow, the regrets or memories of yesterday, aid in many things but do not aid in bearing witness to the love and the light within. By the time the impulse has reached the manifested expression it no longer bears witness to truth but to the judgment of the individual who is editing the self. Therefore, go ahead and edit the self, for such is the way of service to others. But allow the self to heal from these expressions by spending time and attention just letting go of and releasing the pains and joys alike to the infinite One. These are the harvests that the Creator desires. These are the expressions of love that the Creator appreciates. Just as you are, you are loved, and this is the thing of the moment, for each moment, each instant is as that point from which a universe of possibility depends. Each moment is a moment of choice. Each moment is an opportunity for witness. Each moment is infinite. 1997/0413.txt:8:Now, love itself is infinite and without polarity. It is the unlimited infinite and eternal light that is the manifestation of the love of the one infinite Creator. Each who incarnates into third density does so with the expressed purpose of interacting with the society, the community, the neighborhood into which she has been placed by birth, by circumstance, and by that personality shell which has been chosen for the most efficient use of the hoped for processing of catalyst, especially at this time as the sphere upon which you enjoy your incarnation enters into a new area of space and time, and the vibrations are moving through that birthing process. Each entity that achieves incarnation has won her place because of seniority of vibration. That is, those who have most hope of achieving harvest, that illusive fifty-one per cent service to others, have been allowed to come at this particular time. 2017/0226.txt:11:Each entity on this planetary sphere is here for the purpose of being able to welcome and enjoy more of the love and the light of the One Infinite Creator through its own energy centers in a fashion which will allow it to be, shall we say, graduated, or harvested into the fourth density of love and understanding. This is a process which has gone on throughout all time and before all time, and it is a process which shall continue infinitely into the future. Thus, it is of primary importance, not only because it is necessary for entities to be graduated in order to progress further along this path of seeking unity with the one, but it is necessary at this particular

time, in this particular density, to make a choice that will allow each entity to continue to move along the line of upward spiraling light, in either the positively oriented sense of service to others, or in the sense of service to self, that which is called the negative path, the path of that which is not, for it is a path which is built upon separation, an artificial separation in a universe of unity, we might add. 2017/0903.txt:3:I am Q'uo, and greet each of you in love and in light this afternoon. It is a great joy and privilege for us to blend our energies with your own, as you are such beautiful and brilliant sources of light and love this day; and for the entire time during which you have shared your experiences this weekend, and throughout your lives indeed, you are those spoken of in the song just heard as tuning for this session.¹ Each of you have wandered far, not only in this life, as you move about in service to others, but in many previous lives on many other planets such as this one—those planetary beings which have called for your assistance to aid in the harvest of souls as is occurring now upon Planet Earth.

1.8 "Garden of Union" (Union with the Divine)

Synopsis: Spiritual enlightenment, becoming one with the Divine, tending a heavenly garden. Biblical Inspiration: Revelation 22:2, tree of life, Revelation 2:7, John 15:4-5, John 17:21, John 14:2-3, Tree Imagery: Eternal garden, tree of life Mood/Chords: Transcendent, ethereal

Confederation of Planets quotes: 2019/0204.txt:22:I am Q'uo, and am aware of your query, my sister. This land on which you dwell is a being of great wisdom and love, as you are well aware. This entity that is presenting itself to you in the form of geographical features, land, trees, water, air, is that which functions according to the divine plan the One Creator to be able to develop the natural means that would enable it to express its joy and love of the One from which it comes. Thus, if in your efforts at blending your energies with this entity, you can also be able to empathically identify with this being in a manner which opens the heart in total, unconditional love, so that there may be a communication developed between you and your land friend that may enlighten both of you, there is the possibility of an experience that is shared by both of you in which the purpose of the being and its joy in serving the One Creator might be enhanced so that there is a greater and deeper communion between you. 2002/0210.txt:11:What is that faith which each of you holds, to which each of you can cling? Where are there simple and easy ground rules for improving one's perception of these things? This instrument has found helpful and uses to this day the following prayer: "Lord, make us instruments of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is discord, union. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, teach us to seek not so much to be loved as to love, to be understood as to understand, to be consoled as to console. For it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. It is in giving that we receive. And it is in dying that we rise to eternal life." 2010/0130.txt:38:Now, the Creator does not speak in words. It is the Creator. It is that "still, small voice"³ as the Holy Bible says. His silence is thunder. And in that silence is all the information that is infinite. You receive it whole and undisturbed as you enter the silence and tabernacle with the one infinite Creator. For some that is all that is needed, resting in silence, feeling that communion with the divine. There nothing else that seems to be needed. 1994/1225.txt:12:Treasure each and every experience of this kind that has been given to you as a gift. Remember these moments, for many are the times when only the memory of faith is available to the conscious mind. Yet that sweet memory is so over-arching and so transcendent that the one instant of union with the divine is infinitely more than enough to justify a lifetime of faith, sacrifice and service.

Themes

Trees: A continuous metaphor representing growth, destruction, nurturing, harvesting, and divine covenant. Covenant of Peace: Fulfilling a divine promise, mirroring spiritual growth with the planting and care of trees and a food forest.

2 Lost in the Forest

Verse 1:

[Am]Lost in a forest, a [Em]withering place
[G]Trees all around, a [F]lifeless embrace
[Am]Barren and empty, the [Em]seeker does roam
[G]Searching for something, yet [F]feeling alone

Chorus:

[C]Sinkhole of indifference, [G]pulling them down
[Am]Lost in confusion, [F]wearing a frown
[C]Lost like a sheep, [G]strayed from the fold
[Am]Longing for warmth, [F]lost in the cold

Verse 2:

[Am]Walls of a prison, [Em]self-made and grim
[G]Indifferent to love, their [F]light growing dim
[Am]Withering trees echo [Em]their despair
[G]But a faint glimmer whispers, [F]Someone does care

Bridge:

[F]They're greater, they're lesser, so [C]their mind deceives
[Am]Yet a voice within calls them [G]to believe
[F]A Shepherd is searching, His [C]love never ends
[Am]Ready to heal them and [G]call them His friend

Chorus:

[C]Sinkhole of indifference, [G]pulling them down
[Am]Lost in confusion, [F]wearing a frown
[C]Lost like a sheep, [G]strayed from the fold
[Am]Longing for warmth, [F]lost in the cold

Outro:

[Am]Withering forest, they'll [Em]leave it behind
[G]Taking His hand, a [F]new path they find
[Am]No longer lost, they'll [Em]plant trees anew
[G]Nurtured with love, in [F]faith they'll pursue

3 Trees of Desolation

Verse 1:

[Em]Trees of desolation, [D]burning in the night
[C]Mirror of the soul, in [G]endless, bitter fight
[Em]Rage and pain and suffering, [D]dragons in the dark
[C]Lost within the chaos, [G]yet a hidden spark

Chorus:

[Am]Fire and destruction, [Em]sorrow's twisted dance
[C]Yet in the abyss, [G]we find a second chance
[Am]Faith undimmed, [Em]rising from the fray
[C]A love unquenched, [G]leading us to day

Verse 2:

[Em]Broken by the turmoil, [D]rocks into the dust

[C]Buffeted and pummeled, [G]still, in love, we trust
[Em]Starving in the desert, [D]emptiness our meal
[C]Yet the thirst for truth [G]makes our spirit real

Bridge:

[F]We cannot wake from [C]this illusion's hold
[G]Yet in our hearts, a [Am]compassion untold
[F]Surrendering the mind, [C]embracing our core
[G]We find the Creator, [Am]love's eternal shore

Chorus:

[Am]Fire and destruction, [Em]sorrow's twisted dance
[C]Yet in the abyss, [G]we find a second chance
[Am]Faith undimmed, [Em]rising from the fray
[C]A love unquenched, [G]leading us to day

Outro:

[Em]Trees of desolation, [D]they'll not have the last word
[C]For love and faith's the melody [G]that always will be heard
[Em]In darkness and despair, [D]we find our truest grace
[C]And rise anew, [G]with hope's embrace

4 "Branching Paths" (The Choice)

Chords: Am, C, G, F (Verse); Dm, G, C, Am (Chorus); Em, Dm, G, F (Bridge)

(Verse 1)

[Am] In the forest's deep embrace,
[C] At the crossroads, face to face,
[G] Two paths unfold, a choice to make,
[F] Left to goats, or right to take?

[Am] The left is dark, the way of me,
[C] Service to self, no others to see,
[G] The right is bright, love's open door,
[F] Serving others, forever more.

(Chorus)

[Dm] Branching paths, oh the choice,
[G] Sheep or goats, hear my voice,
[C] Shall I serve others or myself alone?
[Am] Guide my heart, guide me home.

(Verse 2)

[Am] A spark of God, free will I hold,
[C] With faith and hope, my story unfolds,
[G] A step into air, the fool's journey,
[F] Dancing to love's eternal melody.

[Am] I hear a song, so far away,
[C] Love and light, come what may,
[G] A young man steps off the cliff with grace,
[F] The Choice he makes, a divine embrace.

(Chorus)

[Dm] Branching paths, oh the choice,
[G] Hope or despair, find my voice,
[C] Shall I walk the path of eternal light?
[Am] Lead me on, through the night.

(Bridge)

[Em] The virtue of confusion, the learning's deep,
[Dm] Each corner turned, promises to keep,
[G] My higher self, ambitious for me,
[F] Life eternal, in service I'm free.

[G] Dancing to the rhythm, the song I hear,
[Dm] Cacophony turns to love, drawing near,
[G] The Choice is made, I choose to grow,
[F] In the Creator's love, forever I'll go.

(Verse 3)

[Am] Left to the goats, the path of fear,
[C] Darkness and doubt drawing near,
[G] Right to the sheep, the way of love,
[F] Light and service, gifts from above.

(Chorus)

[Dm] Branching paths, oh the choice,
[G] Light or darkness, clear my voice,
[C] I choose to serve, I choose the right,
[Am] In love and faith, I embrace the light.

(Outro)

[Am] I choose the right, the path of light,
[C] The way of love, eternal and bright,
[G] In service to others, the dance I share,
[F] With love and light, I hold you near.

5 Covenant of Growth (The Journey Begins)

Chords: G, C, Em, D (Verse); Am, C, G, D (Chorus); Em, D, C, G (Bridge)

(Verse 1)

[G] In the garden of our souls, we plant a seed,
[C] Food forests grow, a heavenly creed,
[Em] Nurtured by love, the guidance of Christ,
[D] A covenant of peace, a spiritual heist.

[G] We sleep in the wilderness, harvest the tree,
[C] Jesus, our shepherd, sets our hearts free,
[Em] With loving example, through the Holy Spirit,
[D] We walk the golden path, never to quit.

(Chorus)

[Am] This is our mission, our talent, our choice,
[C] Planting and nurturing, with a unified voice,
[G] We serve and grow, we shine so bright,

[D] On this journey of seeking, in eternal light.

(Verse 2)

[G] We double, redouble, our hearts aflame,

[C] Radiant love, a universal game,

[Em] Sparkling presence, the Creator within,

[D] Powering our journey, where all love begins.

[G] We're disciples of love, seekers of the way,

[C] Planting oaks of righteousness, night and day,

[Em] Our passions refined, forgiveness we give,

[D] In service and love, eternally we live.

(Chorus)

[Am] This is our journey, our hope, our creed,

[C] Harvesting fruit, the love we feed,

[G] With Jesus our guide, in grace we grow,

[D] The covenant of growth, love's eternal glow.

(Bridge)

[Em] Strengths and weaknesses, we embrace,

[D] Spiritual reflection, love's gentle trace,

[C] Recognizing the Creator, in self and others too,

[G] One in this journey, this love we pursue.

(Verse 3)

[G] Beginning of seeking, on firm ground, we stand,

[C] A foundation of caring, a divine command,

[Em] Following nurturing, the intention, the call,

[D] A desire to serve, we give it our all.

(Chorus)

[Am] This is our covenant, our love, our song,

[C] In wilderness sleeping, where we all belong,

[G] We plant and harvest, with Jesus we thrive,

[D] The covenant of growth, where love comes alive.

(Outro)

[G] In love's eternal glow,

[C] In love's eternal glow,

[Em] The covenant of growth,

[D] In love's eternal glow.

6 "Orchard of the Soul" (Expanded Version)

Chords: Am, G, F, C (Verse); Dm, Em, F, G (Chorus); C, G, Am, F (Bridge)

(Verse 1)

[Am] In the orchard of the soul, where energies align,

[G] By streams of living water, we seek the divine,

[F] Faith blossoms like a tree, rooted and free,

[C] No submission, no domination, love's decree.

[Am] Recognizing within us, the Creator's embrace,

[G] Regularizing thoughts, actions, our crystalline grace,
[F] A thriving orchard, balanced and true,
[C] Refracting Creator's light, a spectrum anew.

(Chorus)

[Dm] Universal love, the heart's rhythm we feel,
[Em] Truthful communication, respect's sacred deal,
[F] Feeling worthy of the infinite, our celestial flight,
[G] Challenging spirits, in Christ's eternal light.

(Verse 2)

[Am] Trees planted by streams, a mystical flow,
[G] Energy from root to heart, our inner glow,
[F] No lost hope, no fleeting bird's wing,
[C] We house inspiration, the eternal spring.

[Am] A journey from red to indigo ray,
[G] Moving higher, seeking the Creator's way,
[F] Our positive path, a pearl of great price,
[C] The North Star within us, love's sacrifice.

(Chorus)

[Dm] Universal love, the heart's rhythm we find,
[Em] Truthful communication, free will entwined,
[F] Feeling worthy of the infinite, our spiritual plea,
[G] Challenging spirits, with Christ's truth and decree.

(Bridge)

[C] In the higher centers, from green and above,
[G] The will softens blockages, energizes love,
[Am] We balance and allow the prana to rise,
[F] Seeking truth, the One Creator's prize.

[C] Energy pouring in, strengthening the heart,
[G] A harvest near, a divine art,
[Am] The adventure of seeking, the thrill of the chase,
[F] We meet intelligent infinity, face to face.

(Verse 3)

[Am] Faith in the root, love in the heart's embrace,
[G] Truth in our words, the Creator's gentle grace,
[F] Worthy of the infinite, the Holy Spirit's kiss,
[C] The orchard thrives, in this mystical bliss.

[Am] Energies apparent, the seeker's mindful tool,
[G] Balancing them in meditation, wisdom's jewel,
[F] The prana moves upwards, a chakra's dance,
[C] In the orchard of the soul, we take our chance.

(Chorus)

[Dm] Universal love, the heart's rhythm we hear,
[Em] Truthful communication, respecting what's dear,
[F] Feeling worthy of the infinite, our spiritual flight,
[G] Challenging spirits, in Christ's eternal light.

(Outro)

[G] Orchard of the soul, balanced and whole,
[C] Mirrored in love, our eternal goal,
[Em] Thriving in faith, in Christ, we reside,
[D] Orchard of the soul, where love can't hide.

7 "Grove of Sanctification"

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[Verse 1]

[C] In the heart of sacred land,
[Am] Trees stand hand in hand,
[F] Whispers of the ancient tales,
[G] Vines and branches without fail.

[C] Planting seeds with gentle care,
[Am] For the ones who'll breathe this air,
[F] Grove of sanctification grows,
[G] Where God's own compassion flows.

[Chorus]

[F] In the grove we find our way,
[C] Connected roots, in soil we lay,
[Am] Future harvest, pure and true,
[G] Life's blessings, always renew.

[Verse 2]

[C] Bio-dynamic rhythms play,
[Am] Each farm its universe, they say.
[F] Animals roam, spread seeds they bear,
[G] Rich and unique, none can compare.

[C] From the psalms to ancient lore,
[Am] Trees of righteousness, forevermore,
[F] As Isaiah once did tell,
[G] In God's love, we all will dwell.

[Chorus]

[F] In the grove we find our way,
[C] Connected roots, in soil we lay,
[Am] Future harvest, pure and true,
[G] Life's blessings, always renew.

[Bridge]

[Em] Planted in God's house we stand,
[A7] Transformed by His graceful hand.
[Dm] From the vine to every branch,
[G] In His love, we all will dance.

[Chorus]

[F] In the grove we find our way,
[C] Connected roots, in soil we lay,

[Am]Future harvest, pure and true,
[G]Life's blessings, always renew.

[Outro]

[C]So let's embrace compassion's song,
[Am]In this grove where we belong.
[F]Sanctified, in love we trust,
[G]From the Earth, to stars, in us.

8 Harvest of Love (Living the Teaching)

[Intro]

[G] [D] [Em] [C]

Chord Progression (Roman Numerals):

I (G) - V (D) - vi (Em) - IV (C)

Chord Diagrams:

G: 0232

D: 2220

Em: 0432

C: 0003

[Verse 1]

[G]Galatians spoke of fruits so divine,
[D]Love, joy, peace, in each sign,
[Em]In service to others, our hearts entwined,
[C]Reaping love's harvest, so fine.

[Chorus]

[G]Harvest of love, both pure and right,
[D]Living the teachings, shining our light,
[Em]With every action, in God's sight,
[C]Embracing the Spirit, with all our might.

[Verse 2]

[G]From Matthew's words, we heed the call,
[D]To serve the least, serve them all,
[Em]In acts of kindness, big or small,
[C]Love's abundant harvest, won't let us fall.

[Chorus]

[G]Harvest of love, both pure and right,
[D]Living the teachings, shining our light,
[Em]With every action, in God's sight,
[C]Embracing the Spirit, with all our might.

[Bridge]

[Em]Trunks rooted deep, branches spread wide,
[C]John reminds us, in Him we confide,
[G]Connected in love, no need to hide,
[D]In God's vineyard, we abide.

[Verse 3]

[G]Harvesting love from trees of grace,
[D]With joy and fulfillment, we embrace,
[Em]Each act of service, in this sacred space,
[C]Guided by the Spirit, we find our place.

[Chorus]

[G]Harvest of love, both pure and right,
[D]Living the teachings, shining our light,
[Em]With every action, in God's sight,
[C]Embracing the Spirit, with all our might.

[Outro]

[G]So in this harvest, let's sow and reap,
[D]With faith and love, our souls to keep,
[Em]In God's loving arms, we'll leap,
[C]Harvest of love, forever deep.

9 "Garden of Union" (Union with the Divine) for Ukulele

Chord Progression: C - Em - Am - F (This chord progression offers a gentle, ascending quality, moving from the groundedness of C major through the ethereal tone of E minor, culminating in the hopeful F major.)

Chord Diagrams:

C: 3000
Em: 2040
Am: 0002
F: 0102

Verse 1:

[C] In the garden, [Em] deep and vast,
[Am] Tree of life's [F] roots hold me fast.
[C] Tending every [Em] leaf and bough,
[Am] In His presence, [F] here and now.

Chorus:

[C] In the Garden of [Em] Union I stand,
[Am] Hand in hand with [F] the Divine's plan.
[C] From Revelation's [Em] tree so bright,
[Am] To the house prepared, [F] full of light.

Verse 2:

[C] Branches reach, and [Em] vines entwine,
[Am] "Abide in Me, and [F] I am thine."
[C] As branches to [Em] the vine we cling,
[Am] In God's garden, [F] hearts do sing.

Bridge:

[C] I am the land, the [Em] trees, the air,
[Am] In union with [F] the divine, everywhere.
[C] In silence, His voice [Em] rings so clear,
[Am] Echoing love, [F] drawing near.

Verse 3:

[C] "Where there's hatred, [Em] sow with love,
[Am] Echoes of the [F] dove from above.
[C] Instruments of [Em] peace we become,
[Am] Harmonizing with [F] the Divine hum.

Chorus:

[C] In the Garden of [Em] Union I stand,
[Am] Hand in hand with [F] the Divine's plan.
[C] From Revelation's [Em] tree so bright,
[Am] To the house prepared, [F] full of light.

Outro:

[C] In moments of union, [Em] memories so sweet,
[Am] I find the Divine, [F] where earth and heaven meet.
[C] In this eternal garden, [Em] we all play our part,
[Am] Growing ever closer, [F] heart to heart.