

Journeyman

Brad Elias (1973-2018)

	4/4A			
The Journeyman headed out	D	A		
Being well on his way	F#m	E		
Into the murky morn	A	D		
Of the new day	A			
Releasing his biases	D	A		
Feels no prejudice sway	F#m	E		
Judges the circumstance	A	D		
Measure and weigh	A			
<i>(Luke harmony, Fern nylon string 1:04-1:54)</i>				
He comes to a mob blind partisan	D	Bm	A	Asus
Led at its head by a charlatan	F#m	G#	A	Asus
Explains contradiction	D	G		
By chapter and verse	E	A	A7	
He lifted the curse	D	A7	D	
They just dispersed	A			
The Journeyman questioning	D	A		
What most held to be true	F#m	E		
<i>(Trio)</i> "All will be good again	A	D		
All will be new"	A			
But how did he rise above	D	A		
How did this one prevail	F#m	E		
Facing the loss of hope?	A	D		
Here is his tale	A			

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(Viv harmony)

Another child, a mouth to feed

Another face of fear and need

The seventh child goes to the church

And in that place he might escape the worst

$\frac{3}{4}$ A Em

A Em

A Em

D A

D A

All in the hands of the **Grand Design** (2x)

C G D A

A Em

Another acolyte too rough

A Em

The gospel of "Not good enough"

A Em

What God expects you cannot do

D A

Distrust and hate for those not saved like you

D A

All in the hands of the Grand Design (2x)

C G D A

(*Luke*)

A Em

I've learned control, hypocrisy

A Em

But blind belief won't comfort me

A Em

We're more than brutes to pull the plough

D A

If God is here then let her catch me now

D A

(*Fern electric 4:35-5:03*)

Fall in the hands of the Grand Design (4x)

C G D A

A5

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I haven't heard a bird in so long	4/4A	D	
Might forgotten the words to their tune	A	D	
Are they singing, "Soon"?	A	D	
I couldn't see the signs in the sky	A	D	
Always hidden in gathering gloom	A	D	
Are they saying, "Soon"?	A	D	
I don't hold religion	E	D	
No order to obey	G	D	
I can't see the credence in cliché	G	D	A
Some say there's a champion	E	D	
That will come for us some day	G	D	
Surely that should comfort us today	G	D	A
When our hope bleeds away	A		D
<i>(Luke) (Fern slide 6:43-8:02)</i>			
I haven't felt the winds of the soul	A		D
Just a hole where I used to assume	A		D
It would whisper, "Soon"	A		D
I haven't smelled the sweetness of joy	A		D
Without doubt making sour the perfume	A		D
Is there solace Soon?	A		D
<i>(Fern electric over middle 8 hold on today)</i>			
<i>(Viv Octaves)</i>			
I haven't tasted love in so long	A		D
Maybe fear has made us all immune	A		D
Will we find it Soon? (Fern slide 8:42-9:07)	A		D
Maybe soon enough	A5		

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(Viv)

"Come", she said, "Come. You are still a young man.

You are so weary.

You seem ready to drop where you stand.

All of your worries have been starving your heart

Your search for a purpose all alone in the dark

Come," she said, "Come. I'll strike the spark."

(Viv)

"Rest," she said, "Rest. Let your mind become calm

Drop all the brooding.

I can make you smile from now until dawn

All of your burdens bound to you like a stone

You're harried and hurting. You've been sleeping alone.

Rest", she said, "Rest. I'll **make a home.**"

(Luke)

"How?" He said, "How is there joy in my mind?

You show me kindness.

Can't believe this is sight for the blind?

The world is so cruel but in here I am blessed

Have you made a fool or can this stand the test?

How?" He said, "How can this thing last?"

(Luke & Viv, Fern electric 10:50-11:28)

"Love," they said, "Love is the permanent thing

All is discordant

Until suddenly harmony sings

Strive for perfection – you will never be done

Patterns and answers – all will wilt in the sun

Love," they said, "Love will make us one."

4/4 Am

D

Am

D

C

Bm Em

C

Bm D

Am

D

Em

Em G D

Am D

Am

D

C

Bm Em

C

Bm D

Am

D

G

Em

A

Em

A

G

F#m Bm

G

F#m A

Em

A

D

Em G D

Am D

Am

D

C

Bm Em

C

Bm D

Am

D G

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Here comes a man with a knife	4/4	G	Am		
He'll surely tear your world apart	C		Bm		
Steal the very beating part	Em		Am		
Of your heart	D				
<i>(Viv harmony)</i>					
He takes your lover's life	G		Am		
The one piece you cannot replace	C		Bm		
The one face that had shown you grace	Em		Am		
Now erased	D				
<i>(Luke & Brad)</i>					
You fall apart. Damning what you once believed	C		Bm	Em	
Somehow love can set things right	C	Am	D		
You realize this was just a brief reprieve	C		Bm	Em	
From the bleak, merciless night	C	Am	D	D7	
Pursue the man with a knife	G		Am		
With vengeance and with blood to spill	C		Bm		
A life to take, a soul to kill	Em		Am		
As you will	D				
<i>(Organ solo over verse)</i>					
<i>(Trio)</i>					
And finally, the hidden place is now in view	C		Bm	Em	
Where you know the killer would be	C	Am	D		
You realize he is just a brute like you	C		Bm	Em	
Knowing then, it's him or it's me	C	Am	D	D7	
You leave a man with a knife	G		Am		
Sticking in his bloody chest (<i>Fern electric 13:13-</i>)	C		Bm		
You tell yourself it's for the best	Em		Am		
Nonetheless	D				
<i>(Unison)</i>					
Now you're the man with a knife	G		Am		
Just another savage hand	C		Bm		
You vow that you will understand	Em		Am		
And became the Journeyman	D			A	

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(*Fern electric* -14:34)

The Journeyman surely knows
What we fear to admit
Living is meaningless
Struggle is shit
But there can be happiness
Love and community
Forgiveness and sacrifice
Those are the key
(Trio)
But what good is kindness or charity
When the result does not favor me?
I'll tell you a story
About these two friends
So if you attend
You, too, shall see

$\frac{4}{4}$ Em G D A
Bb F C D

D A

F#m E

A D

Em G D A

D A

F#m E

A D

Em G D A

D Bm A Asus

F#m G# A Asus

D G

E A A7

D A7 D

A

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Walking with chum one day (*organ*)

Horrific beast blocked our way

Do we get frightened

Do we start fighting

Do we just run away?

Run from **the beast**

$\frac{5}{4}$ Em G D Em G D
Em G D A D G
Em G D A D G
C D
Bm Em
Am F#m B7
Em G D Em G D

One of us runs due north (*synth*)

One of us runs due south

One will be rescued

One will be pursued

End in the foul beast's mouth

Run from the beast

Em G D A D G
Em G D A D G
C D
Bm Em
Am F#m B7
Em G D Em G D

But if one stood to wait (*Fern electric 16:40-17:50*)

Gruesome would be their fate

Sacrifice blindly

Even if done kindly

Won't make results too great

Run from the beast

Em G D A D G
Em G D A D G
C D
Bm Em
Am F#m B7
Em G D Em G D

But if two stand as one (*Fern electric & synth*)

And do not turn and run

We may be tested

Beast will be bested

Victory will be won

Won from the beast

(*Fern electric Solo*)

Em G D A D G
Em G D A D G
C D
Bm Em
Am F#m B7
Em G D Em G D
 $\frac{4}{4}$ E G A D

So in tasks great or small (*horns*)

Choose for the good of all

Never competing

It's self-defeating

Standing alone you fall

Fall to the beast

$\frac{5}{4}$ Em G D Em G D
 $\frac{4}{4}$ E G A D C D
 $\frac{5}{4}$ Em G D A D G
Em G D A D G
C D
Bm Em
Am F#m B7
Em G D Em G D

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The Journeyman paused in thought	4/4D	A			
Gaging if we had heard	F#m	E			
All who are listening	A	D			
Here is the word	A				
<i>(Luke & Fern electric 18:45-20:30)</i>					
We are the sum of our every decision	E	G	D	A	
We can't control the results of our acts	E	G	D	A	
We go through life with a lack of precision	E	G	D	A	
And disregard of facts	C		D		
Seeing your foe as a friend and a neighbor	E	G	D	A	
Helping your friends as I just told you how	E	G	D	A	
There is no need for some external savior	E	G	D	A	
Just be in the here and now	C		D		
<i>(Trio)</i>					
Here and now – don't start to dwell upon the past	Em	G	BmAm	D	
Here and now – hang on to this 'cause it won't last	Em	G	BmAm	D	
Here and now – the future rushes in so fast	Em	G	BmAm	D	
Here and now – don't let this day slip through your grasp	Em	G	BmAm	D	
And if you're living in a room of regret	C	Bm	Am		
You might be missing just how good it can get	Bm	Am	D		
And if you're frightened by a future of fear	C	Bm	Am		
You may not notice all the beauty that's here	Bm	Am	D		
Here and now	C	D	Em		
<i>(Fern electric solo)</i>	Em	G	BmAm	D	
<i>(Fern nylon 20:30-21:15)</i>	Em	G	Dm	Am	
	Dm	Am	Em	F	
We did what we did	Em	F			
'Cause we were who we were	Em	F			
We thought we knew why	Em	F			
But we couldn't be sure	C	G			
We are who we are	Em	F			
'Cause we do what we do	Em	F			
We think we know why	Em	F			
But we haven't a clue	C	G			
<i>(Fern electric 22:00-22:30)</i>	Em	F	Em	A	
	Em	G	D	A	