

**WERE I REALLY THERE.....!**

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Sometimes the mind really wants to escape  
this heavy, material world  
and heavier universe.  
The leaden-eyed man  
wishes to disappear  
and move into a world of happiness,  
wonder and delirium,  
that too.....everlasting.

Is it possible  
as Keats flew with the Nightingale  
and Frost, sitting upon the Birches,  
escaped and enjoyed,

reveled and blessed;  
for me, too,  
to move, into  
a world of delirium,  
where no worries,  
no material gains,  
no profits, no losses,  
but happiness all around  
that too.....everlasting.

The mind is overwhelmed  
with the list of jobs to do,  
novel ventures and pursuits,  
residing in eternal darkness,  
waiting for the Light to come,  
waiting for the Hand  
to hold me  
and take me into  
His world of permanence,  
The Universe of Light,  
The Abode of Illumination,  
The Seat of Eternal Peace,

That too.....everlasting.

He would certainly come

to take me in to His arms,

A state of Eternity,

A region of Bliss;

Endless Harmony.

Wishes this wish

of mergence with Him!

And happiness, wonder.....

That too.....everlasting.

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