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A Man of Mask

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Tell me man. Who am I?
“You are an old man
Lines of experiences
Are criss-crossed in your face
Now, dancing in a procession
For money, fun or pleasure”.

Tell me man. Who am I?
“You are a tiger
Escaped from a zoo
With antics wild
You are the dancing pride
For money, fun or pleasure”.

Tell me man. Who am I?
“You are a ghost
Seems to be dead long ago
Once you irritated with questions
Reappeared today to dance here
For money, fun or pleasure”.

True, I am an old man
Hungry, wrinkled
The burden of the world
Thus, the cause of Buddha’s enlightenment;
I am also the tiger
Vanquished and vanishing
The last guard of the man’s frontier
The expose of man’s infidelity to the world;
I am the ghost too
Fighting a losing battle
Epitomizing emptiness
But the Sutradhara of the two worlds.

Yes, I am. All rolled into One
Making a mockery of myself
In turn, to satisfy the hunger.

To a Giant Eagle
(In Memory of Eagle's President)

How swiftly you flew, by watching the birds
From a birdie at the coast to a bird of wonder
With strong beak sharp claws lovely feather
A cause of inspiration to the Ariel world

Your nest was vulnerably opposed to wind
Mother going out to beach to bring you fish
In the humble shore playing with fellow birds
Your tale of epic ones will always flash by

While soaring high in the sky your delicate moves
Made us dream big, churned our thoughts and actions
A belief that we are the race who flies
Above the black cloud to avoid rain and thunder

You taught the fellow eagles the art of hunting
The skill of escaping from the hungry eye
What pierced thousand ears and will always do
That defeating one is easy hard to win someone

Those hey days when you were holding the crown
Happiness scattered all around, you did not pause
But made it one- the earth the sky the water
To reach every eagle land with wings of fire

Came back today and resting here in peace
For sure from the windy shore and hilly tops
Lives of yours shall be hatched to surround the sky;
Lo! They are swiftly gliding and now soaring high.