I Was A Bird

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I was a bird that loved to fly Catching the wind as it went south And I could touch every inch of sky And the sweetest songs trilled from my mouth

But I'm no bird anyone can see And there's no wind waiting for me It's just a dream, it's just a dream To be a bird flying free

I was a cloud that loved to drift Offering shade to lay upon And the greenest grass was my gift And a summer day was my song

But I'm no cloud anyone can see And there's just dust instead of green It's just a dream, it's just a dream To be a cloud drifting free

I was a light that loved to dance Without a care of who might see I tempted fate and welcomed chance And I held the world inside of me

The clouds have fled, and the birds have flown And the light that was is all but gone It's just a dream, it's just a dream To be a light To be a cloud To be a bird Flying free