

# The Raven Child

Avantasia

Wild groves, sacred grounds fade to vastness  
Mother Moon, cast your spell on these fields  
Let the boughs paint ghostly shades on the trail  
To a different world

Where castle looks out to a valley  
Where I'm given all the love that I crave  
Not afraid of the rising sun laying bare my brittle soul

Cold is the wind  
Bringing forth clarity  
Time rushing on  
And nothing will remain  
There's no glory on the last journey home...

Looking down from this pure cope of heaven  
Onto an ocean of white that drowns  
All the noise and decree  
And the craze in empty eyes

Wide-eyed I'm lost in my imagination:  
A dream of love  
I've got to suffocate while I keep on waiting  
For the hour I'll be called to realize  
And see it all before my eyes

The sky is crawling down the mound  
Into the deadwood on the ground  
They say

Spectres flare and spit and rise  
To mingle with the skies  
And take all that's never meant to be

A fire in the dark for the fool's gonna find his way  
Gonna run and never get away  
Is it love that glows in fiery alignment ?  
Starry-eyed ? Maybe living a lie ?  
A lonely heart in and endless line

Oh raven child  
Raven child

Bewildering and strange  
The scent of spring and cherry blossoms  
Sweet scent of rain  
They're calling you  
Astounding how it is  
Not the same it used to be  
When you're compelled behind  
The crenel on your own

The tolling of the bell, is there  
Anyone to tell me what they wanna say  
Voices go on and on and on to me  
But their tongues won't permeate  
Throughout my soul

In your altered state of mind  
In vain you're chasing light  
Your master in his frown  
Denial of the crown of creation  
You're mad to think you are

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Light breeze in the crowns of the willows  
Green fields as if the day was on the wane  
Grow faint and attain to perfection  
What a backdrop for a diamond

And so we sway in the wind like the willow  
Meant to give way to the order of the storm  
Won't leave a mould in the marsh of the ages  
A tired chevalier of fortune

Blue and serene once a sky swanned on magic  
The unborn in the stream of destiny  
Time flows to become a mound of nothing  
For a broken soldier of fortune

On my...  
Comin' down  
Goin' all the way now  
You won't get away  
You know  
Finally the way you're shown  
You're goin' now

Into the light  
In the light there's a crack torn open  
From underneath the day  
In the light, but a crack, is it growing?  
Feel the dark rolling in, your way  
Feel the light look away  
It's gonna blind you  
Ignite you spirits fly  
See a light to uncloak their master  
To arouse the beaten mind

In the light there's a crack torn open  
From underneath the day  
You dream and fly  
In the light, but a crack, is it growing?  
Feel the dark rolling in your way  
Hey raven child  
Feel the light look away  
It's gonna blind you  
Ignite you spirits fly

Uncloak the raven master  
To arouse the beaten mind

You tuck away yourself inside  
You ride away on the inmost light  
Your soul glowing opal-blue

A million voices fade away  
I never really got what they're trying to say  
For my words there's no getting through

Oh, you sail to the night's plutonian shore  
You drift to sleep  
You can't take no more of this  
And like a raven child  
You spread your paltry wings and throw  
Yourself into the wind to escape from all below That despised the raven child

Am I awake or is it an evil dream  
Or maybe the ugly in between  
Like me... a weak hermaphrodite

A burning soul in unimpaired parts  
In quest for light but it was the dark  
That embraced the raven child

A cloak of invisibility to curtain  
The face of deformity, no...  
Darkness let me in

Off to the night's plutonian shores  
You dream and hope you won't wake no more to this!  
Flying raven child  
Oh fiery eyes  
Flying raven child  
Oh fiery eyes

Oh to escape from all below  
Spread your wings... and go  
Like a raven child