## **Guiding the North Star**

**Light This City** 

In a world of such complex pathways we all feel lost. No one could ever understand your directions They used to be crystal clear But they've been smeared by all the fingerprints Of wanderers along your obscured path Our messages all got tangled in their journeys from mouth to ear

White noise is filtered out as I submerge my head Beneath the ocean I can't seem to escape Pathways are scarce down here, and no one needs to find their own way, No one wants to explore their own fate The current takes them to where they should be It's easier than to realize who you are, or that you've made a mistake

In a place where isolation washes through your lungs Like acid and leaves you empty and burning My message was crystal clear But it's been muted by all the footsteps Of wanderers along this obscured path Our images all got distorted in their journeys through our memories

If I don't respond, it's because I can't hear you, and my brain is turning red From being alienated for so long I think I might have been abandoned under the surface This way they can't hear me screaming This way they can't feel me biting This way they can't feel me scratching This way they can't hear me The sounds are far quieter in a world where no one lives The pain is much fiercer when you can't force someone else to feel it

If the earthen course would have taken me through bitter wars and meager comforts At least I would have never known The loneliness I failed to endure Whose vastness reaches past the depths of the sea I have drowned myself in.