

THE SILENT VOICE WITHIN

A large, ancient tree with a thick trunk and sprawling branches stands on a grassy hill. The tree's leaves and branches are illuminated with a warm, golden light, making it glow against the dark night sky. A path of light leads from the bottom center towards the base of the tree. The background shows a sunset or sunrise over a valley, with the sun low on the horizon, casting a warm orange glow. The sky is dark blue with scattered stars. The overall scene is magical and serene.

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Gratitude

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About the Album

Gratitude explores ten ways of recognizing what life entrusts to us. The journey begins with an ordinary day, learns to notice small things and the people beside us, then passes through hardship, generosity, inner presence, the present moment, cosmic wonder, and personal growth. It ends by giving thanks for the journey as a whole.

Gratitude remains the explicit subject of every song. The teachings of The Urantia Book form the underlying philosophy: freedom of personality, human kinship, inner guidance, the value of experience, service, soul growth, and a progressive destiny.

The Album Journey

RECEIVE → NOTICE → HONOR → ENDURE → GIVE → LISTEN WITHIN → LIVE TODAY → WONDER → BECOME → CONTINUE

The Ten Songs

No.	Title	Gratitude for
01	Thank You for This Day	Gratitude for being alive and receiving another chance to choose and grow
02	For the Little Things	Learning to notice the quiet gifts hidden inside ordinary life
03	Thank You for Being Here	Honoring the people whose presence, patience and listening helped us grow
04	Even Through the Rain	Finding courage and compassion in hardship without pretending pain was a gift
05	What I Have Received	Transforming gratitude into generosity, service and gifts passed forward
06	This Light Within Me	Recognizing an inner presence that guides without controlling human freedom
07	Thank You for Today	Living gratefully in the present moment where love and choice become real
08	Beneath the Same Sky	Wondering at our shared humanity and our place within a living universe
09	Thank You for Who I Am Becoming	Giving thanks for the continuing freedom to learn, choose and become
10	Thank You for the Journey	Giving thanks for the whole journey while remaining open to what lies beyond the horizon

Thank You for This Day

Gratitude for being alive and receiving another chance to choose and grow

The Story Behind the Song

The album opens at the beginning of an ordinary day. Light enters through the curtains, the world awakens, and the narrator realizes that life does not need to be perfect before it can be received with gratitude. Breathing, seeing familiar faces, and choosing to do a little better than yesterday are already gifts.

Its Place in the Album

This opening song establishes gratitude as a way of welcoming life before we know what the day will bring.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

Morning slips between the curtains,
Spilling sunlight on my skin.
Nothing in this day is certain,
Still, I get to start again.

One breath enters, one breath leaves me,
My heart keeps time beneath it all.
I don't need to know what waits here
To welcome whatever comes to call.

[Pre-Chorus]

I could run and miss the morning,
Chase tomorrow, mourn the past,
But something in me says, "Be present.
Let the light come in at last."

[Chorus]

Thank you for this day,
For this breath and waking light,
For every face and every love,
For one more chance to choose what's right.

Thank you for this day,
Though it may not go my way,
I will meet it open-hearted,
Like a gift arriving today.

[Verse 2]

Thank you for the ones beside me,
For the hand that helps me see,
For a smile that's freely given,
For a voice that feels like home to me.

Thank you for the roads behind me,
Even turns I would not choose.
Sometimes every wrong direction
Teaches me a wider view.

[Pre-Chorus]

I cannot hold back the seasons
Or ask the hands of time to stay,
But I can choose how I will enter
Every hour I'm given today.

[Chorus]

Thank you for this day,
For this breath and waking light,
For every face and every love,
For one more chance to choose what's right.

Thank you for this day,
Though it may not go my way,
I will meet it open-hearted,
Like a gift arriving today.

[Bridge]

And if rain should fall today,
I will walk beneath its gray.
Life need not be free of pain
For beauty still to remain.

There is still a gift to bring,
Someone waiting, listening,
One kind act, one light to start,
One small flame inside the dark.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for this day,
For this breath and for this light,
For every moment, every love,
For every bond that holds this life.

Thank you for this day,
For who I still may learn to be.
I don't need to know tomorrow
To be grateful I am here and free.

[Outro]

Before the world begins to hurry,
I will stay a moment here.

I breathe.

I watch the morning.

And I say it simply:

Thank you for this day.

For the Little Things

Learning to notice the quiet gifts hidden inside ordinary life

The Story Behind the Song

The song turns toward what habit almost makes invisible: a warm cup, rain on a window, a shared meal, a smile, and the presence of someone who truly listens. Gratitude is revealed less as a response to abundance than as the ability to recognize what is already here.

Its Place in the Album

After giving thanks for life itself, the album learns to notice the small things that give a human life its texture.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

For the warm cup in my hands,
Morning light across the floor,
For the quiet sound of rainfall
And the song outside my door.

For a window open to the wind,
Fresh bread and a child's delight,
For moments that seem almost nothing
Yet somehow make the whole day bright.

[Pre-Chorus]

I have searched so far and wide
For what was waiting close to me,
As if joy had to be enormous
Before my heart would let me see.

[Chorus]

Thank you for the little things,
The ones we almost pass each day,
A smile, a door held open wide,
A few unhurried words along the way.

Thank you for the little things,
For every gift that makes no sound.
Maybe in the ordinary
The deepest joy is waiting to be found.

[Verse 2]

For the friend who asks, "How are you?"
Then stays to hear what I might say,
For the arms that once received me
When all my strength had slipped away.

For a meal around a table,
Old stories everybody knows,
For all the smallest passing moments
That become the memories we hold close.

[Pre-Chorus]

How many treasures have I crossed
Without once slowing down to see?
Today I want to learn to notice
What was always here with me.

[Chorus]

Thank you for the little things,
The ones we almost pass each day,
A smile, a door held open wide,
A few unhurried words along the way.

Thank you for the little things,
For every gift that makes no sound.
Maybe in the ordinary
The deepest joy is waiting to be found.

[Bridge]

I won't wait for signs and wonders
To remember how to smile.
So much light is moving through us
In the moments we dismiss as small.

A hello, a hand upon my shoulder,
Sun returning after rain,
Two people walking on in silence,
Feeling safe without explaining.

What if wealth was always here,
Waiting quietly year after year?

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for the little things,
The ones I want to hold today,
The simple seconds, faithful presences,
All the gifts no paper can contain.

Thank you for the little things,
For every light that makes no sound.
I searched for joy in the extraordinary—

It was here,
In the middle of my life,
Waiting to be found.

[Outro]

For the warm cup,
For the rain,
For your smile,
For today.

For the little things—

Thank you.

Thank You for Being Here

Honoring the people whose presence, patience and listening helped us grow

The Story Behind the Song

Gratitude becomes relational. The song thanks loved ones, friends, mentors, and passing companions who listened, encouraged, or simply chose to remain. It also carries a gentle urgency: some words of thanks should be spoken while the other person can still hear them.

Its Place in the Album

The journey moves from the gifts around us to the people who walk beside us and quietly participate in our growth.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

You did not always have the answers,
You could not mend what hurt inside,
But when the sky came down around me,
You found the time to stay beside me.

You listened until I was finished,
Never choosing in my place,
And sometimes that was more than enough—
Simply leaving room and space.

[Pre-Chorus]

We give thanks for days that changed us,
For the things that stand apart,
But today I want to thank you
For the quiet gift you are.

[Chorus]

Thank you for being here,
For walking part of life with me,
For believing when I doubted,
For listening without judging me.

Thank you for being here,
Through the laughter and the colder years.
I may not say it often enough:
My road is brighter
Because you were here.

[Verse 2]

Some people pass across our lives
And leave a little light behind:
One word arriving at the right time,
One simple act, one heart that's kind.

There are hands that help us rise again,
There are doors held open wide,
And every face that meets us gently
Leaves us more human deep inside.

[Pre-Chorus]

I thought I made this road alone,
That every step belonged to me.
Then I turned and saw behind me
All the hearts that helped me be.

[Chorus]

Thank you for being here,
For walking part of life with me,
For believing when I doubted,
For listening without judging me.

Thank you for being here,
Through the laughter and the colder years.
I may not say it often enough:
My road is brighter
Because you were here.

[Bridge]

We have given one another
More than numbers could reveal:
A little courage, a little time,
A reason to begin and heal.

Maybe all our lives are woven
From connections we can't see,
From what we place inside another
Without knowing where it leads.

So while I still have time to tell you,
I want to say it now.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for being here,
For sharing part of your road with me,
For your patience, for your trust,
For your presence in my silence faithfully.

Thank you for being here,
For every gift I found in you.
And if our roads should part tomorrow,
Something of your light
Will keep on walking with me too.

[Outro]

There are words
We leave too often for tomorrow.

So today,
While you can still hear them:

Thank you.

Thank you for being here.

Even Through the Rain

Finding courage and compassion in hardship without pretending pain was a gift

The Story Behind the Song

This song refuses forced positivity. It does not claim that suffering was necessary or that every wound arrived for a reason. Instead, it gives thanks for the courage, compassion, help, and deeper understanding discovered while passing through difficult days—and for the freedom to choose what the experience will become.

Its Place in the Album

The album gains depth: gratitude does not disappear when life becomes painful, but it remains honest in the presence of pain.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

There are mornings without sunlight,
Roads we never would have planned,
Doors that close behind us slowly,
Questions no one understands.

There are dreams we stop pursuing,
Empty chairs that change a room,
And sometimes silence keeps on ringing
Long after every question moves.

[Pre-Chorus]

I won't say I'm grateful for the aching
Or pretend it had to be,
But I can thank the strength awakened
That would not let the storm take me.

[Chorus]

So thank you even through the rain,
Not for the tears, but what they made plain,
For every hand I found nearby
When I had lost the strength to try.

Thank you even through the rain,
For courage I had never named,
For learning in the deepest night
One little light can still remain.

[Verse 2]

I learned the strongest hearts can tremble,
Asking help can still be brave,
A wounded heart can go on loving,
And begin again beyond the wave.

I learned to slow my steps and notice
Who was hurting close to me,
For some wounds open doors within us
To another's suffering we could not see.

[Pre-Chorus]

I still do not understand it all,
And maybe I no longer need
More than knowing someone walks beside me
When the road is hard to read.

[Chorus]

So thank you even through the rain,
Not for the tears, but what they made plain,
For every hand I found nearby
When I had lost the strength to try.

Thank you even through the rain,
For courage I had never named,
For learning in the deepest night
One little light can still remain.

[Bridge]

I still carry certain scars;
I no longer hide them all.
They do not only tell where I was wounded—
They tell how I survived the fall.

And if another storm comes tomorrow,
I won't pretend I'm free of fear,
But every passage carved more depth in me
And taught my heart that hope stays near.

[Final Chorus]

So thank you even through the rain,
For those who stayed when daylight waned,
For every time I lost the road
And some quiet presence led me home.

Thank you for what opened in me,
For compassion I had never known.
I never would have chosen certain roads—

But now I see
They changed the way I see the world.

[Outro]

The rain still falls sometimes.

I no longer ask it
To disappear at once.

I wait.

I breathe.

And somewhere behind the clouds,
I know the light is still there.

What I Have Received

Transforming gratitude into generosity, service and gifts passed forward

The Story Behind the Song

Each of us is shaped by countless gifts received: patience, forgiveness, food, time, guidance, shelter, and second chances. The narrator realizes that the deepest thank-you is more than a word. It is the decision to let what was received continue its journey through us toward someone else.

Its Place in the Album

This is the turning point of the album: receiving becomes giving, and gratitude becomes a way of acting in the world.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

Before I ever learned to give,
I was held and taught to live,
Given time when I needed to speak,
Second chances when I felt weak.

Someone showed me how to start again,
Someone trusted what I could become,
And a thousand gifts whose names I've lost
Built the person I am becoming.

[Pre-Chorus]

When I turn and see the road behind,
So many hands appear along the way.
Now I understand I never
Reached this place alone today.

[Chorus]

All that I have received,
I want to give it on in love:
A little time, a little hope,
A little light when nights are rough.

All that I have received,
I want to send it farther still,
For the finest thank-you I can offer
Is giving someone else
What someone once gave me.

[Verse 2]

I was given without counting:
A meal, advice, a place, a hand.
Someone pardoned my confusion,
Someone helped me understand.

There are gifts without a ribbon,
Treasures costing almost nothing:
Five kind minutes for a stranger,
"I am here," "You'll be all right," "Come in."

[Pre-Chorus]

What if everything we plant
Keeps growing long after we are gone?
One kind act moves through a thousand lives,
And no one knows how far it travels on.

[Chorus]

All that I have received,
I want to give it on in love:
A little time, a little hope,
A little light when nights are rough.

All that I have received,
I want to send it farther still,
For the finest thank-you I can offer
Is giving someone else
What someone once gave me.

[Bridge]

Male: If I have received some kindness...
Together: I can give it!

Male: If somebody helped me...
Together: I can help them!

Male: If I was given time...
Together: I can give it!

Male: If someone believed in me...
Together: I can believe in someone!

Male: And if I have received love...
Together: Pass it on!

Male: A little farther...
Together: Pass it on!

Male: From heart to heart...
Together: Pass it on!

Male: This is my thank-you!

[Final Chorus]

All that we have received,
We can give it on in love:
A little time, a little hope,
A little light when nights are rough.

All that I have received,
I want to send it farther still,
And if someone finds the road again
Because of something given to me,
Then nothing will have been lost.

[Together]

Pass it on!
Pass it on!
All that you have received,
Pass it on!

[Male]

I thought that thank-you was a word.

[Together]

Pass it on!

[Male]

Now I know

A thank-you can become an act.

[Outro]

What I have received,

I give it in return.

What I have received,

I give it in return.

Thank you.

This Light Within Me

Recognizing an inner presence that guides without controlling human freedom

The Story Behind the Song

Gratitude turns toward the mystery within. A quiet light accompanies human choices without imposing them. Its influence appears in the desire to forgive, listen, serve, and become more truthful. Inspired by the teachings of The Urantia Book, the song preserves the dignity and freedom of the human personality.

Its Place in the Album

At the heart of the album, gratitude recognizes what cannot be seen or fully defined, yet can be discovered through the life we choose to live.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

It took so many roads to find
What lived so quietly inside.
I searched for answers far away
And missed the silence where it stayed.

In hours when I no longer knew,
When certainty dissolved from view,
Something remained beneath it all—
A little light that would not fall.

[Pre-Chorus]

It never shouted,
Never chose the road for me.
It simply waited
For the moment I grew still enough to see.

[Chorus]

Thank you for this light within me,
So quiet I can barely see.
It never chooses where I go,
But gently calls me on to grow.

Thank you for this light within me,
A patient presence through each choice.
When I could not find the road ahead,
Hope kept listening for its voice.

[Verse 2]

I knew it in an act of kindness,
In the sudden will to pardon pain,
In courage rising without warning
To help me stand and walk again.

I felt it when I faced another
And chose to listen, not condemn,
Like an invitation almost hidden
To become more true than I had been.

[Pre-Chorus]

It does not promise
Every road will soon be clear.
It only reminds me
I am still free to choose from here.

[Chorus]

Thank you for this light within me,
So quiet I can barely see.
It never chooses where I go,
But gently calls me on to grow.

Thank you for this light within me,
A patient presence through each choice.
When I could not find the road ahead,
Hope kept listening for its voice.

[Bridge]

How long have you been waiting there,
Within a depth I scarcely know?

In every wish to become better,
Every truth my heart receives,
Every time that love rises higher
Than the fear that once chose me.

I cannot hold you.
I cannot define you.
But today I can be still—

And say thank you.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for this light within me,
For patience walking faithfully,
For never forcing any choice,
For waiting until I freely turn toward your voice.

Thank you for this light within me,
For hope that reaches past my sight.
And if my life is learning slowly
To recognize you in the quiet,

Then I will learn
To enter silence.

[Outro]

I searched so far
For what was near.

I searched for light—

And maybe
It was already shining here.

Within me.

Thank you.

Thank You for Today

Living gratefully in the present moment where love and choice become real

The Story Behind the Song

Yesterday holds its memories and tomorrow will bring its questions, but neither can love in our place. The song returns to breath, to the person before us, and to the good still possible today. The present becomes the living place where we can listen, forgive, and extend a hand.

Its Place in the Album

After the inward focus of the previous song, the album returns to the immediate world with a more conscious gratitude.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

I have spent so long in motion
Toward days that had not happened yet,
Planning every next decision
As if this moment could be kept.

And sometimes I have let my yesterdays
Keep knocking far too long,
Words I wanted to rewrite,
Roads I wished I had not gone.

[Pre-Chorus]

But life is not asking me
To live before or after now.
It meets me exactly where I am—

Here.
Now.

[Chorus]

Thank you for today,
For this moment passing by,
For this breath, this open sky,
For the person standing by my side.

Thank you for today.
I'll let tomorrow find its way.
I don't want to hurry through my life
And miss the life I hold today.

[Verse 2]

There is a bird beyond the window,
There is wind across the room,
Someone telling me their story
Who deserves my presence too.

There may be a hand to take now,
A laugh I have not answered yet,
A silence asking to be heard,
An "I love you" I should not forget.

[Pre-Chorus]

Everything appears so ordinary,
Yet none of it is mine to keep.
Every second comes and leaves me—

So I want to be awake
While it is here.

[Chorus]

Thank you for today,
For this moment passing by,
For this breath, this open sky,
For the person standing by my side.

Thank you for today.
I'll let tomorrow find its way.
I don't want to hurry through my life
And miss the life I hold today.

[Bridge]

Tomorrow has its questions.
Yesterday keeps memories.
But neither one can love for me
Inside this moment that I breathe.

Now is when I can forgive.
Now is when I can listen.
Now is when I can reach a hand.
Now is when I can love.

And if this moment is all I have,
It is enough
To start.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for today,
For those still breathing close to me,
For every word I still can say,
For all the love that I can freely give.

Thank you for today,
For this minute in my hands.
I do not know what waits tomorrow—

But today
I am here.

And today
I can love.

[Outro]

Not yesterday.

Not tomorrow.

Here.

One breath.

One moment.

One life.

Thank you for today.

Beneath the Same Sky

Wondering at our shared humanity and our place within a living universe

The Story Behind the Song

The perspective suddenly opens toward the stars. Our physical smallness does not diminish the value of the human person: on a tiny world, we can love, serve, create, forgive, and seek truth. Gratitude becomes a sense of belonging to an adventure far greater than ourselves.

Its Place in the Album

The album expands from the present moment to the cosmos, transforming humility into kinship beneath the same sky.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

Tonight I raised my eyes above me.
The city slowly fell asleep.
A few bright stars between the clouds
Crossed the silence, old and deep.

And suddenly the weight I carried
Did not feel as large as then,
Before the quiet endless wonder
That has welcomed us again.

[Pre-Chorus]

I don't know where the sky is ending
Or how many worlds may shine,
But here within this vast creation,
What a wonder to be alive.

[Chorus]

Thank you for being here
Beneath the same sky,
On this little world
While all the stars go by.

Thank you for being here,
Alive beneath their light,
Able to recognize each other,
To love, to wonder, to choose what is right.

Beneath the same sky,
You and I,
For one moment in the universe—
We are alive.

[Verse 2]

Somewhere someone now is waking
While the daylight leaves this place.
Someone laughs and someone hopes;
Someone searches like I do for grace.

We may speak in different languages,
Carry stories I will never know,
But beneath our walls and borders
Lives the wish to matter to a soul.

[Pre-Chorus]

When I look into the starlight,
Every wall appears so small.
We are travelers on one world,
Sharing one unfolding call.

[Chorus]

Thank you for being here
Beneath the same sky,
On this little world
While all the stars go by.

Thank you for being here,
Alive beneath their light,
Able to recognize each other,
To love, to wonder, to choose what is right.

Beneath the same sky,
You and I,
For one moment in the universe—
We are alive.

[Bridge]

Female:
Thank you for the questions
That are larger than my answers.

Male:
Thank you for the mystery
That still leaves room for wonder.

Female:
Thank you for this fragile world.

Male:
For everyone who shares it with me.

Together:
And if we are so small
Before immensity,

Why can the love we freely offer
Feel larger than the galaxies?

Maybe greatness is not measured
By the space our bodies fill,

But by what we choose to bring to life
Through love and truth and will.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for being here
Beneath the same sky,
On this fragile Earth
Through the endless fields of night.

Thank you for this life,
For a billion searching ways,
For every soul who, just like me,
Still seeks a little light for coming days.

Beneath the same sky,
Closer than we knew,
For one moment in the universe—

We can choose
To walk together through.

[Outro]

And when I raise my eyes again,
I do not feel so small.

I simply feel—

Grateful.

To be here.

With you.

Beneath the same sky.

Thank You for Who I Am Becoming

Giving thanks for the continuing freedom to learn, choose and become

The Story Behind the Song

The song gives thanks not only for what has already been accomplished, but for the possibility of beginning again, learning from mistakes, and choosing differently. A person is not imprisoned by the past; every day offers a new opportunity to participate in who they are becoming.

Its Place in the Album

As the conclusion approaches, gratitude turns toward the future and toward the growth that is still possible.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

I look back along the road
And recognize the turns I made,
Choices taken much too quickly,
Words I kept inside too late.

Sometimes I tried to be a person
I was not yet strong enough to be.
I lost time and made mistakes,
But I am still here, still free.

[Pre-Chorus]

Maybe growing does not mean
That one day we become complete.
Maybe it is learning every morning
What we want our lives to seed.

[Chorus]

Thank you for who I am becoming,
For all that's still alive in me,
For every time I start again
And choose who I can learn to be.

Thank you for who I am becoming,
For one more chance to find my way.
I am more than all my yesterdays;
I am also what I choose today.

[Verse 2]

Thank you for the harder truths
I finally learned to face and hear,
For those who showed my hidden corners
Without withdrawing love or drawing near in fear.

Thank you for the newer questions,
For certainties I let depart,
For the strange and beautiful freedom
To keep choosing with an open heart.

[Pre-Chorus]

I don't need to know the whole road
To keep taking one true stride.
Sometimes all I need is courage
To become more honest deep inside.

[Chorus]

Thank you for who I am becoming,
For all that's still alive in me,
For every time I start again
And choose who I can learn to be.

Thank you for who I am becoming,
For one more chance to find my way.
I am more than all my yesterdays;
I am also what I choose today.

[Bridge]

I want to become more patient,
Freer from the fears I've known,
More able to listen deeply,
More forgiving when I am wrong.

I want to learn to love more wisely,
To pardon without losing me,
To recognize within each person
Something worthy of dignity.

And if I fall again tomorrow,
I will know at least this truth:

Falling does not get to choose
The person I am growing into.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for who I am becoming,
For all that waits beyond my sight,
For every door still standing open,
For every road I still may write.

Thank you for who I am becoming,
For the life that teaches me.
I don't want to spend my final days
Only mourning who I used to be.

I want to look back on my journey
And be able to say:

I tried to love a little wiser.
I tried to grow more true each day.

[Outro]

I have not arrived.

I am not finished.

And maybe that, too,
Is a gift:

The freedom to keep becoming.

Thank you.

Thank You for the Journey

Giving thanks for the whole journey while remaining open to what lies beyond the horizon

The Story Behind the Song

The finale gathers the nine earlier movements: the day, the little things, the people, the rain, what was received, the inner light, the present, the sky, and becoming. It measures life not by what was possessed but by what was loved, and remains humbly confident that every horizon may reveal another.

Its Place in the Album

The circle closes by gathering the entire album into gratitude, trust, wonder, and a willingness to continue the journey.

Lyrics

[Verse 1]

I have walked on quiet roads
And on others I would never choose.
I have known the easy mornings
And the nights when every meaning moved.

I have loved and lost and started over,
Sometimes running far too fast.
I learned that certain answers find us
Only when we let the hurry pass.

[Pre-Chorus]

And when I turn to see the road,
I no longer count the miles alone.
I see faces, I see hands,
A thousand reasons to be grateful I have known.

[Chorus]

Thank you for the journey,
For sunlit days and shades of gray,
For everyone who walked beside me
And taught my heart a kinder way.

Thank you for the journey,
For what I know and mystery.
I cannot see the road's last ending,
But today I walk with deeper trust in me.

[Verse 2]

Thank you for the little things,
For laughter gathered at a table,
For silences where hearts could rest,
For every presence true and irreplaceable.

Thank you even through the rain,
For what it opened deep inside,
For the light that kept on burning
When I could not see which road was right.

Thank you for what I have received,
For what I learned to give away,
For every soul who helped remind me
We almost never walk alone along the way.

[Pre-Chorus]

Maybe life is not a question
We were meant to answer whole.
Maybe it is teaching us to love
More deeply as we grow.

[Chorus]

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[Bridge]

Female:

What if what we call an ending
Is a door we cannot see?

Male:

What if everything we learn to love
Prepares us to love more deeply?

Female:

I do not have a map.

Male:

I hold no proof within my hands.

Together:

But something deep within us whispers
That the story may be wider
Than the reach of human eyes.

So we will not fear the pages
That we have not read before.

If life has taught us anything,
It is that every horizon
May be hiding one horizon more.

[Final Chorus]

Thank you for the journey,
For every face and every season,
For mistakes that made me humbler,
For forgiveness that restored my freedom.

Thank you for the journey,
For the light I met along the way,
For who I am and who I still
May freely choose to be someday.

Thank you for the journey,
And when my final evening comes,

I hope to look behind me
Without counting what I owned—
Remembering instead
Everything I loved.

[Final Rise]

And if another road is waiting
Past the only one I know,
I will carry the same questions,
The same trust,
The same wonder,
And perhaps a single word
To carry as I go:
Thank you.

[Outro]

Thank you for this day.
For the little things.
Thank you for being here.
Thank you even through the rain.
For what I have received.
For this light within me.
Thank you for today.
For the sky we share.
For who I am becoming.
Thank you—
For the journey.

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