Remains

When it all falls away, what remains?

Suddenly the curtain drops, and we are exposed Naked, scarred, pale white bones Shivering, shaking, gasping for breath The mind running off the tracks in all directions Up, down, inside and out, none of which lead anywhere

We are deprived of normalcy and madness ensues Within, electric explosions, striking bolts of desires and doubts Outside, soothing perpetual light, untouched and inaccessible Temptation reigns

What remains?

Wealth, now simply paper caught in a gentle breeze Beauty, unnoticed and irrelevant Freedom becomes a luxury for only the ignorant Influence has changed Masters She now serves the thoughtful and wholehearted

A blinding spotlight illuminates the gaunt, trembling, human facade On the world's stage, alone, nearly enveloped by impenetrable darkness No eyes to see, no mouth to speak, withered and frail This insignificant existence is all that remains