After Dark Has Fallen

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**I Am Spring**

I was born on the first day of Spring
I am Spring
Come celebrate with me
The experience of rebirth

Ride bareback with me on my chestnut mare
We will gallop
Down sun-dappled trails
In the green woods

Sending up whirls of dust
We will dance
On the hard-packed earth
To bluegrass music

Down at the swimming hole
Find your childhood
Lay naked with me in the sun
and leave experience on the shore

Hold me in your arms
Make love to me by starlight
In the warm sands
On the beach

Open your heart with laughter and
Wash away old sorrows
Play in Spring rains
Be born again

Ginnie Seamann

After a long, cold winter
spring appears
to thaw out a frozen land,
to bring life back into the trees and flowers,
to dissolve the winter blues,
to shed the old and to bring a new way.

And though the sun was there
we feel a stronger presence
to share its gift with us,
to give life and happiness to those who accept,
to spread its warmth upon the few,
to welcome us into its golden rays.

Now I have found you
And it is you who are my spring and my sunshine
For as the spring you appeared,
to thaw my frozen soul,
to bring life to my heart,
to dissolve my blues,
to shed the old and to bring me new ways.

And as the sun you were there
but now in a stronger presence
to share your gifts with me
to give me life and happiness because I accept you now
to spread your warmth upon me
to welcome me into the golden rays you shine

Peggy Scott

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Crawl thru the woods
this pitch evening
on the island strait;
To summon the courage
from some outfrozen acid batteries
To stand like an evolved beast
uncowed
by the thunder flash
of kingdoms of nature,
kingdoms of men.
To rise like a birthright
in shadowed depression hood
To shout and jump
and stamp
and cry
like a being
filled with the riotous joy
of creation
and create
LIFE
on the seventh day
after dark
has fallen

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