

“Kriställnätch”  
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Every shattered piece is a shattered heart

Every shattered piece is a broken soul

Every shattered piece is an open wound

Every shattered piece is a never healing heart

Every shattered piece is a scarred mind

Every shattered piece is a word never spoken

Every shattered piece is a lost voice

Every shattered piece is a trembling hand

Every shattered piece is a scream

Every shattered piece is a tear

Every shattered piece is a scarred vision

Every shattered piece is a Jewish star

Every shattered piece is an innocent person.

Every shattered piece is a memory never to be spoken of

Never to be seen again

Never to be remembered

Lost to the world

Unless we choose

Not to forget

This light of theirs

This light of ours

That helped them forget

But that helped us remember

This unique light

Is the only thing

That keep the memories alive

Within our world

It helps them

Survive

With these memories

That broke their heart

And their soul

In a way

That we could never

Understand

So the least we can do

Is not forget this light

Of theirs.

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