

Högni Egilsson:

TOUCHED BY LIFE

A MUSICAL REFLECTION

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Gateway to the song:

Sometimes the intensity of experience overwhelms us
in the feeling of want, of yearning and sorrow.
We pray for help and the prayer becomes obsessive,
magnified a thousand times
through our feelings of loneliness and fear.

(33) *A PRAYER*

Turn on the light,
it's dark.
The day is around me,
mocking my pathetic shout.
I miss you.
Please, turn on the light.

Turn on the light, please!
The sun is upon me,
blinding my eyes,
baring my wretched shadow,
searing my naked body,
ripping it open,
drying me, burning me,
gloating upon my ashes.

Please, turn on the light!
Hold the grey mist that is me,
and even my ashes shall whisper:
I miss you!

Turn off the dark,
it's dawn.
The day is around me,
hovering pale on the air
of morning.
Please, turn off the dark.

Turn off the dark, please,
the sun is arising,
born from the night,
breaking the reign of shadows,
caressing sleepy flowers,
blessing them open.
Touching me lovingly,
lost in the arms of morning.

Please, turn off the dark.
Born is a beautiful day,
born is a prayer to life.
I love you.

A prayer

Arr.:
Eðvarð Lárusson

Words and music:
Högni Egilsson

Gm D7 Gm E^b 3 Cm

Turn on the light, it's dark. The day is a-round me, mock-ing my pa-thet-ic shout. I

4 Gm E^b B^b Gm D7 Gm

miss you. Please, turn on the light. Turn on the light, please! The sun is up-on me,

8 E^b 3 Cm Gm E^b Cm

blind-ing my eyes, bar - ing my wretch - ed shad - ow, sear - ing my nak - ed

10 Gm/B^b Cm Gm Gm/B^b 3 Cm 3 D7

bod - y, ripp-ing it op - en, dry-ing me, burn-ing me, gloat-ing up-on my

13 Gm Gm Gm/F 3 Gm/E E^b 3 /D 3 Cm /B^b

ash - es. Please, turn on the light! Hold the grey mist that is me, and

16 Am^{7b5} 3 D7 Gm

ev - en my ash - es shall whisp - er: I miss you!

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