A Dream Within a Dream

The Alan Parsons Project

Take this kiss upon the brow!

And, in parting from you now,

Thus much let me avow-

You are not wrong, That my days have been a dream; Yet if hope has flown away

In a night, or in a day,

In a vision, or in none,

Is it therefore the less gone? All that we see or seem

Is but a dream within a dream.

I stand amid the roar

Of a surf-tormented shore,

And I hold within my hand

Grains of the golden sand-

How few! yet how they creep

Through my fingers to the deep, While I weep- while I weep!O God! I can not grasp

Them with a tighter clasp?

O God! I can not save

One from the pitiless wave?

Is all that we see or seem

But a dream within a dream?

I stand amid the roar

Of a surf-tormented shore,

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