

# AWAKENED TO A DREAM

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*I had been adrift in a dark and empty place.*

*Unknown to myself for so long.*

*Lost between silence and tears,*

*Lost – with no voice to guide me,*

*Nor the solace of words to save me.*

*I reached out from my aloneness,*

*From the abhorrent void of my prison,*

*And I touched hands-*

*Touched their softness, their strength –*

*Touched you.*

*Your voice was an anchor in the sea of my madness,*

*Your arms were the shelter in my world apart,*

*Your touch was my only succour until the storm had passed.*

*And now I see you –*

*Your face that shone like a jewel through my imaginings,*

*Your eyes that steered my course when there was no wind to guide me.*

*You are the dream that awakened my soul,*

*The soft light that shines upon me.*

*Protects me in the darkness of my world.*

*You are the promise of healing and peace,*

*Of quiet moments shared between laughter and tears.*

*I see you and I love you,*

*Yet your name is lost within the mists of perturbation,*

*Words and memories still elude me,*

*Still slip through my fingers.*

*But no matter now – for I am blessed.*

*I have awakened to a dream –*

*And the dream is you.*

*Katrina Relf*