

Cannot Keep A Secret

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Cross the water with me
And I guarantee by morning we will land
Your fingers stretched in sand
Staring out to sea

Walk the Crana and the Swan
Raising a half as night falls
To names engraved on windowpanes
To the patriarchs reclaimed

Will you dip your toe gently in the water?
Send the ripples home whipping up a storm
Will you make amends with the changing currents?
They eddy and they flow and bring your sisters home

You said "Look at my face"
Tell me the truth
I am not long for this world"
And our selfish ways are the source of much disgrace

Post a letter in the trees
Ask the enchanted
'Won't you please give us more days like these?'
Chasing Emperors & Blues diving in the breeze

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She set alight all that was right and basked in front of firelight
She spilled her guts that night; left you for dead
Somebody hold me back
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Somebody hold

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