

Mismatched / Mixmatched

Believing that we can fall in love, we make a mistake
Believing that we can trust each other, we become clumsy
Believing that we have to make our last stand,
 we take a chance.

In spite of ourselves, we can't help being gentle
In spite of our love affair, we can't help being cynical.

When we are together with moonlight and candles and
 passion, then no one is at fault
When we are together with telephone bills, then someone
 is at fault
When we share the candlelit telephone bill
Then we have a victorious marriage.

Working hard doesn't produce any comfort
Loving you is more than the world can provide
Although practicing meditation does not produce
 sourdough bread
Practicing with you makes this tedious world good food
Seeing you makes me smile without effort.

If you think we can make a world that is brilliant and kind
 and tender
Let us love each other with no concern for our
 private world
Let us love each other without wondering whether our
 love affair is good or bad

Let us love each other until the dawn breaks
And when it does
Let us celebrate our love affair
Let us marry ourselves to the continuous proclamation
of true love.

We can pay the bills
We can build a picket fence
We can plant a rose garden
We can make a gate that opens to the world.

I love you forever, because you are who you are.

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