

The Legend of Elijah Shade

Arena

I. Veritas

You have seen me before
In the myths and the legends
But I'm not as you think I should be...
A monster that feeds
On the human desire to be free...

Enslaving the spirit
He dines on the souls
Of the ones far too weak to escape
He has walked amongst men
Since no one knows when
If he's seen it's already too late!

You are wrong! You misjudge me
My truths are obscure and unknown
You are wrong!
Let the one without sin be the one to throw stones
To throw stones...

You are right there is evil
That lurks in the shadows
But fear is a foolish disease
No - Don't be too quick
To let ignorance guide your beliefs
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Life is never black and white
Many shades can hide from your sight
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Ii. I am here

For the first time I walk into your lives
A most unwelcome stranger
A traveller arrives
I know that look
There's suspicion in your eyes
That look of hesitation comes as no surprise

I am here
For better or for worse

I am here to hell you

To lift that curse

I am here
Though you'd throw me down to hell
Despite your fears only time can tell

But every time I walk into your lives
I'm seen as the big bad wolf
In sheep's disguise
Though I'm not near the innocent that dies
Those looks of doubt and loathing
They come as no surprise

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Iii. Saevi manes

You're the judge
You're the court - You're the jury
You have bought into a lie
Do you even know why?

So strange
What you see - Isn't real
Not the 'me' you think you know
Watch the paranoia grow

Just because I choose to take
A twilight path of my own making...

So hide!
With your heads - in the sand
You've been fed a fairy tale
It's a suicidal trail

Just because I choose to take
A twilight path of my own making...

Now!
I will banish all these ghosts
Now!
I will banish all these ghosts

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Invite the beast with open arms
He fooled you with his empty charm...

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I will banish all these ghosts

Iv. It lies

On a feather bed it lies
Cocooned in a haze of midnight sun
Unconscious
To the forces gathered at its tomb

Just steps away they cower
Behind the hopes of stake and cross
Wrapped in a fragile veil of faith
And driven by their sense of loss

This is for Ken - He was too young to die
And Agatha - Why did she leave us so soon
Dear Jennifer - Oh such an innocent soul
And this is for Brian and this is for June

Bowed in fear
They choose to walk the path to hell
Far too late
That resting peace lies somewhere else!

This one's for Dan - In the prime of his life
And Tommy - Who truly would not hurt a fly
There's Alice and there's Sarah - So cruelly erased
It just makes no sense did they all have to die
Bowed in fear
They choose to walk the path to hell
Far too late
That resting peace - Lies somewhere else!
They can't win
That's why I'm here... I'm here to help!

Like or not
I'm the best chance you've got
Like it or not
I'm the best chance you've got

V. Tenebrae

Down here I can see them glowing
Glowing in the dark
These cold and empty souls
Watch them glowing in the dark

Down here I can find them wandering
Wandering in the dark
These cold and empty souls
Wandering in the dark

You are their nightmare
But I am yours...

I am more than just myth!

Down here I can see them fading
Fading away
These cold and empty souls
Watch them fading away

You are their nightmare
But I am yours...

Vi. Omens

Writing's on the wall now
You should have seen the signs
Read between the lines my friend
Read between the lines

Vii. Redemption

It is gone now - I took the pain away
It is gone now - It is corrupt and decayed

You couldn't outrun the shadows
Where the terrors of the night await
You could cover your head - Pretend you're dead
But you knew that you couldn't escape
They dwelt on the periphery
Their claws upon your shoulders
Whatever you tried - there was nowhere to hide
Your world got a little bit colder...

If hope has paled to nothing
If you need a helping hand
Just call for me - I will pull you free
Together we will stand
We will stand!

I will always find you
Yes! I will always find you

Before the day has ended
As the light begins to fade
Oh you will not remember
My presence or my name

This curse has now been lifted
You've broken from your chains
But you will not remember
My presence or my name...

For an age I've travelled
A thousand year crusade
They have known me before
They are the ones I found, the ones I saved
I will always find you
Yes! I will always find you
I will always find you
Yes! I will always find you