

Shadow Road by kate and co

Early in the Morning, before the sun came up,
I felt a night wind blowing at the crossroads in the dust.
Standing there I saw a man, bloodstains on his soul,
A glint in his eye as cold as steel, one pocket full of gold.
"Say young man?" he beckons with one finger of his hand
"Come, sit with me and talk a while and I'll help you understand."
"What it takes to play this game, one lesson yet to learn."
"The road from here is never clear, beware your every turn."
"Make no mistake, I tell you true, the just man will prevail."
"No sacrifice is worth the price, you see you must not fail?"
"On down the road, I've travelled far, I've lived ten lives in one,
And what I've learned, I'll give to you, my playing days are done,
Yours have just begun!"

I listened close to every word, I hung on every line.
An hour passed he checked his watch said "Boy, that's all my time"
"The rest I fear is up to you, I've told you all I can."
With that, he turned and walked away and faded into time.
So there I stood, a shaken man, not sure what I had seen.
I knew the face but I couldn't place the man that might have been.
And as I walked down the road, I looked but couldn't see
It was as if it was never there, that crossroads by the tree.

Inside the storm was rising, like a tempest brewing strong
I felt the waves crash over me, I knew I wasn't wrong.
Up to this point I've lived my life one worry at a time
And still the echo of that word rings loudly in my mind
Since that hour so long I did ponder what he said
I've seen this world, I've lived my life, I've woke the living dead.
And now I'm sure I know that man, I see him every day.
Those staring eyes, as cold as steel... "Shadow!" was all he said.

I listened close to every word, I hung on every line.
An hour passed he checked his watch said "Boy, that's all my time"
"The rest I fear is up to you, I've told you all I can."
With that, he turned and walked away and faded into time.
With just that word, he'd said enough, the rest was in his eyes,
For on the day the night wind came, I hadn't realized.
Across the boundaries, set in time, I had planted just one seed.
And built that road across my path where the future came to me,
Where the future came to "Be!"
Where the future came to "Be!"