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Crumbling Castles

elizabeth shearer

It's funny how those high school summers
can seem like an eternity,
with enough time to fall in and out of love
and try on different worlds like costumes.
you can build an empire and watch it fall
all before the days grow cool.
Our worlds are different now
And our empire is long gone.
Destroyed by space and pride and unspoken words.
Now all I have left of castles and fairytales are
ruins and memories
and what I think is regret.
And looking back I don't mind it because
regret
is better than shame
and it's better than picking fights and passing blame
and it's better than trying to say we're okay
in a broken tower with crumbling walls
and pretending that nothing could ever be wrong
because try as we might we can't wish our empire back to
wholeness.
we can't wish ourselves back to wholeness.
It's funny how those high school summers
can seem like an eternity.
with enough time to say goodbye
and become the dragon you spent months fighting.
you can have the time of your life
and watch it fade to memory,
all before the days grow cool
I tried the fairytale romance,
It belongs only in books.



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