# 01 The Future's Up To You

Music&Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

It seems that the world around you has been getting you down You say, it just ain't worth your time,... to keep standing your ground Oh, but I've got a different perspective,... that helps guide my way You see, I don't let the people around me,... Try to limit the dreams I've made It's all how you face it,.... That can help you to make it

# (CHORUS)

Yeah, you've got to pick yourself up and get back in the game Break yourself free from the chains that you've made Keep your mind focused on the flame that's true The future is up to you So never surrender,... 'Cause you're still a contender And keep on believing,... In all the dreams you're conceiving You've got the power to make it,... So just reach out and take it Stay tried and true,... In all the things that you do The future's up to you,.... The future's up to you,....

So now when the world around you starts getting you down Stand firm on your own convictions,... even when you're losing ground Just build on a new perspective,... to help guide your way And don't let those people around you,... Try to limit the dreams you've made It's all how you face it,... That can help you to make it

## (CHORUS) - (GUITAR SOLO) - (CHORUS)

#### (Ladies Chorus)

Stand tall,... in spite of it all.The future's up to youStay strong and keep holding on.You've got nothing to loseKeep pace,... in spite of the race.The future's up to youIt's your dime.You still got time to choose

# 02. After The Rain

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Well, everyday's a challenge, Baby,...But we decide the outcome, Lady,...Oh, well life's a game of give and take,...But losing love can hurt so great,...And everyday's a testBy how we place our betsAnd love's a vital partLeave a scar upon our hearts

# But after the rain,... the faith that remains will stand true And the love of all ages,... through prayer will help you through Oh, well after the rain,... the chains that remain will break free And the love that awaits us,... will be great for you and me

Don't be blinded by the pain that may have made you cry today Or the negative vibes and vices that blind your way You see, the answer is here,... if you would just persevere,... Oh, well how can I get you to see? There's a light at the end of the darkness that can set you free

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Well, everyday's a challenge Babe, and everyday's a test... But we decide the outcome,... Oh, by how we place our bets The light that shines the answer is easy 'nuff to see,... But we forget to flip the switch for love to set us free The pain that darkens up our lives would quickly fade away,... If we'd only let the past move on and take some time to pray Oh, life's a game of give and take and love's a vital part But if you lose at love's refrain,... don't harden up your heart

# **03 BALD FACED LIES**

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I guess its taken time for me to realize That what I'm hearing 'bout you with another guy,... Is well advised Please tell me why? And how it breaks my heart Girl, to see the depth of your bald-faced lies

My heart is breaking,.... at the treachery I've found Don't try denying Girl,... this time I stand my ground Why'd you lie? No, don't act so surprised. I've grown so tired Baby,... of putting up with your bald-faced lies

I've finally realized,... the fool you've had me play But I'm determined now, not to look the other way Stop with your stories,... No, don't even try It's just another round of your cool familiar lines

Now the time has come for me to let you know I've gathered your belongings,... got your bags right by the door Don't you cry,... No, don't act so surprised Well, that's the price you pay Babe,... When you mess around with those bald-faced lies

Now don't try telling me that you've got no place to go You should've thought of that Girl, a long, long time ago Don't ask forgiveness,... No, don't even try It's just another round of your cool familiar lines

Now the time has come for me to let you see I'm tired of playing your fool, Girl,... Yeah, its time to set you free Don't you cry,.... No, don't act so surprised That's what happens Baby, when you mess around with those bald faced That's the price you pay Babe, when you mess around with those bald faced lies That's what happens Baby,... When you mess around with those bald faced lies

# 04 What's A Heart To Do?

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Another lie revealed,... another hidden tale Of unrequited love that's surely standing off the scales And though he tries to hide his lover on the scene, Others who have seen them out together spill the beans.

"Now just one minute, Baby", as he tries in vain To remedy the damage he's created here again. "She's just a friend" he says "Wen't you please believe

*"She's just a friend"*, he says, *"Won't you please believe?"* But in his eyes she'll realize no truth can be seen.

> How can Love survive, it happens every day Promises made will soon fade away Where is the Love we once cherished so true? What's a Heart to do? Oh, it's true.

A different story line,... another sleepless night She used to be so popular,... a small town socialite A single mother now,... no life to call her own She blames her situation on that little Boy at home

Feeling rejected,... Oh, the streets call out his name Searching for acceptance,... He joins up with a Gang He's found new family, yet feeling so alone Searching for a Love,... That he never found at home

> How can Love survive, it happens all of the time The fate of our world is on the firing line Lord only knows why Love is treated so cruel.

How can Love survive, it happens every day Promises made will soon fade away Where is the Love we once cherished so true? What's a Heart to do?

# **05 A Minor Obsession**

Music&Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

I never thought I'd see him run away,... and try to find someplace to hide We all said, "You're mad to throw away,... a blue-eyed beauty, oh so fine" And Lord, she was fine,....

And though I really tried to understand, the way she said he made her feel They only really had a one-night stand,...

Though she kept telling him, "It's Real..." But that ain't real,... No!

What you call "Love",... I call "Obsession"
'Cause he's just suffocating here through all your pestering
And don't try telling me,... your love was "meant to be"
'Cause it was just a one-night stand, Oh Lady, can't you see?
I've tried to clear the truth that you've been blocking
'Cause when you follow him around it's like you're stalking
Girl, he never meant to leave a false impression....
But can't you see?
What you call "Love",.... I call a "Minor Obsession"

She doesn't see that he's moved on with life,... Only sees her own mind's view There's even plans for him to take a wife,... Though she believes it's just not true.

Though she believes it's just not true,... Just can't be true,...

Now I am trying hard to understand, the way she said he makes her feel And though they've only had a one night stand,... She keeps believing it was real,... But that ain't real,... No!

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### **06 Misery**

Music/ Carlos J. Saldaña / Atsushi Shinjyoh Lyric / Carlos J. Saldaña

No sense in trying to save my grieving heart,... You walked on in my world and broken it all apart. How could I let my soul be so over come,... By such a beautiful smile that reflects the sun?

I've tried to move along, forget the past,... The more I try it though, it just doesn't seem to last Why can't I make you see what you meant to me? Before you turned and left for eternity?

True love is 'til the end of time Or so I thought it should be,... But here I am in misery,... How can it be,... that you're not here with me? What to do? When I'm still in love with you? Tragedy,... I'll cry 'til infinity

(SOLO INTERLUDE)

# What to do? When I'm still in love with you? Tragedy,... I'll cry 'til infinity

They say you've gone and found a brand new love But I'll keep hoping for a miracle from above That the stars would lead you back home to me.... Why can't I make you see all that we could be? We could live in love for eternity... But 'til then Baby,.... I'll live in misery

## 07 Can't Forget About Love

Music&Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

Every time you wake in the morning and turn on that old T.V. You come to recognize how the tale and the lies Are only half of what you really see

Well there's the Corporate Exec who will always collect 'Cause he's the master of the dirty deal Yet he can cheat and lie with a star in his eye 'Cause that's what gives him that "sex appeal"

Oh my,... well it's the sign of the times Funny how we always seem to undermine our way,... Into the Heavens above,... what are we thinking of? We can't forget about Love And all the joy it can bring,... Holding more value than a diamond ring,... It's true And it's all up to you,...It's all in the path that you choose

Another day,... another new morning, and what have you got to see? Another storyline 'bout the hate and the crime,.. The ratings are guaranteed

With all the negative press that we love to collect It's a wonder how we'll ever survive We watch 'em cheat & sin with an innocent grin,... And sit there wondering "why"?

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## 08 C'mon Feel The Groove

Music&Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

Fresh story been goin' around,... start spreadin' the news Rumor has it there's a new kid in town,... With a fresh new twist... On rhythm and blues,... C'mon Baby... Start feelin' the groove

Don't ask questions and don't be shy,... it's an offer you can't refuse See the sparkle in your Baby's eye,... Once you tell her,... I bet she'll approve C'mon Baby,... Start feelin' the groove

C'mon Baby, start spreadin' the news,... Take a chance and start feelin' the groove Get on up, you've got nothin' to loose Feel the rhythm start makin' you move... C'mon,..... start feelin' the groove

## (SOLO INTERLUDE)

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## 09 Fine,... So Fine

Music&Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

Sweet, sweet Lady,... Girl, you know you really look so fine I'd love to show you Baby,... the meaning of "*A Good Time*" And how you're drivin' me crazy, ... 'Cause you're looking so fine Fine,... so fine,... so fine

Beautiful & so refined,... Girl, I'm sure you're tired of the same old line But how I'm needing you, Baby,... You're truly one-of-a-kind And how you're drivin' me crazy,... because you're lookin' so fine Fine,... so fine,... so fine

(GUITAR SOLO)

Please forgive me for my one track mind,... But Girl, I'd love to steal your heart and make you mine Because you're driving me crazy,... I'm going legally blind And how I'm needing you Baby,... Because you're looking so fine Fine,... so fine,... so fine

# **10 A Love That's Real**

Music&Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

Woke up this morning,... heavy pains upon my heart,... I've tried to face them on my own. And as I stumble,... I just quit right from the start,... I can't seem to beat these things alone. But then I found some friends to lend a helping hand,... They said,

"Brother won't you spend some time with me? I think we have the answers that can set your mind at ease,... But brother you have got to first believe!"

So they took my arm and led me,... to a beautiful new place And it helped to remedy these pains I labored And through their act of kindness came the meaning of true Grace,... Which led me back to Jesus Christ, my Savior!

How could I've been so blind when the answer's clear to see? Oh, faith in God was all that I was needing And now my heart is soaring, and my mind has been set free Through the help of my new Brothers I'm believing!

Come give him Glory,... Come give him Praise Come feel the Blessings,... And the joy of new found Grace Can't explain the beauty of a Brotherhood that heals and reveals That through Jesus Christ you'll find a love that's REAL And you know it's real,... And it surely heals,.... All the pain you feel

And though we find it hard to try and comprehend,... How He so easily forgives us of our sins I'm so invigorated,... My heart is so elated To find my way home,... Now I've got the strength to carry on..... 'Cause I'm not alone,.... My fears have gone,... And I'm finally home....

#### (INSTRUMENTAL SOLO)

Woke up this morning to a beautiful new light, with a Book that has the answers I was needing And though I still may stumble, I won't quite without a fight

'Cause Jesus gave my life a new beginning!

So now when I find a friend,... who needs a helping hand,... I say,

"Brother won't you spend some time with me?"

I think we have the answers that can set your mind at ease,...

But brother you have got to first believe!"

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My sweet Jesus,... Help to lead us,.... My Lord Jesus My sweet Jesus,... Come and lead us...

# Bonus Track 11 Chat Noir

Music/ Yoshitaka Minami Lyric/ Carlos J. Saldaña

We were all young people in love,.... Living off Passion & Dreams And we knew we'd always rise above,... To face the world and all of its crazy schemes But the plans we shared soon faded,...and we just could't go on `Cause the world just got too jaded,... so we faded,...our song

And the radio is spreading the news,... That lingers as a scar on my soul And we wonder what path to choose,... Searching for a world we can call our own But the beauty of a woman is blinding,... and yet, I'll never dare `Cause the world just stands to remind me,... What I'm feeling,...and I'm running scared

Cold rain on my window,... I just run where the wind blows No song,... no right or wrong Bad luck always seems to cross my path Like the curse of a Black Cat

I just can't understand how we've let it,... just slip away 'Cause the love we once shared has faded,... And we're jaded,... with no time to play

Cold rain on my window,... I just run where the wind blows No song,no right wrong,... I just keep moving on Not much in my Back Pack,... I just roam where the love is at No home to call my own Bad luck always seems to cross my path Like the curse of a Black Cat Watch your back,... From the curse of the Black Cat