

## Here We Are

Here we are United by one aspect Of our lives Our childlessness Combined with our childfulness A paradox Filled with joy and sorrow Each in different measures On different days And somehow Among our many distinctions We are all the same We have found a kinship here That many of us have experienced only rarely elsewhere How can this be And yet it is How can it be that the beauty of the sunrise fills my heart That the colors are exactly what I need to see How can it be that the sounds of the water can calm me That the frequencies are exactly correct to be soothing I don't understand the chance or design that brought us together I don't understand why we all connect on so many levels Independent of our stepmotherhood I can only accept this gift And be grateful