THOU ART BROKEN

Thou art broken; beyond repair; Shattered and broken, you exude despair You need to relax, contemplate, and then repair It will take time; maybe a matter of years

Art I, yes, broken, shattered, yes doomed To loneliness and despair? Shunned and discarded Hidden in the back? Frail and feeble, as I am I seek the sun, the sun that once shone

Has that gone too? No, thought not.

Comes out in the morning, sets at night

Yes, I remember. I get that right.

I'm defeated, beaten, and tired; I don't want a fight

This "Love" business is a mystery, a trap for fools It's serious, required commitment; punishes those That cannot, do not or will not subscribe. Strike one Against me. "Love" demands the truth. In my youth

I did not understand. When you say "I do"
It doesn't mean, "sometimes, I'll try, how long's a lifetime?
No negotiation, no appeal; no reprieve. You've made your bed
Now share; for better or worse, richer or poorer, sickness and health

Strike two, against me. There's an exit to consider Separation and divorce. The material and emotional cost Of un-coupling. There are two ways to allow this to happen Scream and fight, bad for your blood pressure - might end in blood

Respect each other. It didn't work? You've talked it through Come to a decision. Act on it. No scramble for this or that In the end, apologise for your transgressions, things you could have done, but didn't. Thank the other person for their contribution.

Maybe we can meet again? Maybe not. Strike three. OUT!!!

Have I, been broken, shattered, and doomed To loneliness and despair? Shunned and discarded Hidden in the back? Frail and feeble, was I I sought the sun, the sun that once shone And still does. I struggled, re-built myself, my relationships Ponder, wondered, wandered, sought time alone, sought time with others Three strikes? Yes! Am I out? No sir, a bit dazed, confused and brittle But definitely in the game. A game, is it? Yes and no and yes

Girls aren't the only ones who want to have fun

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