

The Lost and Found

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If found please return to—

The sunsets and rises
While she walks aimlessly
Uncertain
Of where to go
Of what to do

Time passes her by in seconds
Everything the same
Lost and unknowing
Of who to go to
Of how to find her way home again

If found please return to—

Baggage claim
Smudged ink for a return address
Watching all who came before her
unsuspecting
Of who they follow
Of what they want

A familiar hand
A face long forgotten
Whispering and telling
Of tales from her past
Of where she belongs

If found please return to—

Expectations that fade away
Her glazed over eyes become clear again
Showing her all
Of what she's missed
Of those who awaited her return

They ask her with sweet kisses
Where have you been?
Did you find what you were looking for?
Welcome home they say
With tears soaking her shirt
We've missed you

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