

## *The Autumn Leaves*

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The autumn leaves are around me, I step on them carefully,  
I cannot help it, as they are fallen all around me.  
Of course, its autumn, I convince myself...  
Perhaps that's why they call it the Fall,  
As so many leaves fall all around ...

I am scared to walk...to crush the leaves...  
Like I'm crushing the fragile heart of Mother Nature...  
When I step on the leaves I see you coming alive...  
I hear the soft crying sound of the leaf  
and I feel you in my soul even more deeply...

Then I see a resilient rose...  
In spite of all the harsh winds,  
one determined rose has made it through...  
I think of you once again and I wonder...  
Are you that resilient rose I see?

I feel your gentle spirit like a halo around me,  
then I see you once again in the peddles  
of the one strong and resilient rose...

I am now passing through the streets of New York,  
Here is a child crying for Mom,  
You come alive in my mind once again...  
as I wonder if you are too crying for unity?

Do you feel lost while searching?  
Are you tired and resting by a tree?  
Or are you transformed to a red rose?  
An aromatic and resilient rose,  
amongst the thousands of the fallen leaves...

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