

## **Transitioning**

## Litmus A Freeman

The old me used to people please
Wanting love from on my knees
Almost begging to be liked
"Hey old me. Take a hike!"

The new me will no longer try
To be the apple of an eye
I'll be authentic as I am
And if not liked, won't give a damn

Just share my truth the way it be Whatever it may be, I'm Free!

Behind me leave the need for praise
Up into free of praise I'll raise
And be myself, the vulnerable me
And I'll chop down that needy tree

I'm stepping into freedom's bliss I'll change my name to Chris R. Liss Hang from a tree beneath the sky Till I step in to butterfly

The old me felt he knew it all When I was younger, lean and tall I maybe judged what others did 'Till Karma lifted off the lid

Of empathy so I could feel They way they did and it was real

The new feels no judgement now How can I judge with no know-how Until I've felt what others felt And moved into the place they dwelt