“The Rose that Grew from Concrete”
by Tupac Shakur

Did you hear about the rose that grew from a crack in the concrete?
Proving nature’s law is wrong it learned to walk without having feet.
Funny it seems, but by keeping it’s dreams, it learned to breathe fresh air.
Long live the rose that grew from concrete when no one else ever cared.

“Can You See the Pride in the Panther?”
by Tupac Shakur

Can You See the Pride In the Panther
As he grows in splendor and grace
Toppling obstacles placed in the way, of the progression of his race.
Can You See the Pride In the Panther
as she nurtures her young all alone
The seed must grow regardless of the fact that it is planted in stone.
Can You See the Pride In the Panthers as they unify as one.
The flower blooms with brilliance, and outshines the rays of the sun.

“Family Tree”
by Tupac Shakur

Because we all spring from different trees does not mean we are not created equally
Is the true beauty in the tree or in the vast forest in which it breathes?

I find greatness in the tree, that grows against all odds
It blossoms in darkness, and gives birth to promising pods
I was that tree that grew from the weeds and wasn’t meant to be
Ashamed I’m not, in fact I am proud, of my thriving - family - tree

The tree must fight to breathe among the evils of the weeds