

# The Tropics

Exotic  
Bird Refuge

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## **The Meaning of Rescue**

Now that I'm home, bathed, settled and fed,

All nicely tucked in my warm new bed,  
I'd like to open my baggage,  
Lest I forget,  
There is so much to carry -  
So much to regret.

Hmmm... Yes, there it is, right on top,  
Let's unpack Loneliness, Heartache and Loss,  
And there by my perch hides my Fear and Shame.  
As I look on these things I tried so hard to leave -  
I still have to unpack my baggage called Pain.

I loved them, the others, the ones who left me,  
But I wasn't good enough - for they didn't want me.

Will you add to my baggage?  
Will you help me unpack?  
Or will you just look at my things -  
And take me right back?

Do you have the time to help me unpack?  
To put away my baggage, to never repack?

I pray that you do - I'm so tired you see,  
But I do come with baggage -  
Will you still want me?

-Author Unknown-