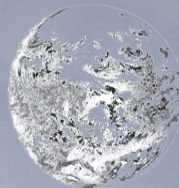


Back from the Brink - Chris Burrell

A journey into life



By chance

On 25 December 2002 I

Perspective

had an anaphylactic shock
caused by the fumes
from some gold-coloured
candles. Unable to breathe

Invisible

I realised what was about to
happen, accepted I had
to give up the will to live and

Clean air

then slowly slipped away. I
had a pulse count of two in

Let me out

the ambulance on the way
to hospital where eventually,
and miraculously, I was

Day by day

revived. I spent eleven hours
in intensive care and a further
week in a hospital recovery ward.

Revived

With you

It is now five years since that event,
the one which changed my life
forever, and whilst my perceptions
still don't seem quite right I have
begun to grow accustomed to them.