



Destiny

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Here I sit, my life lies ahead of me.
Here I am I think of what's now behind.
I love to dream and I love to wonder,
Which is the path in life, I will find.

This world of ours holds so many questions,
That this mind of mine can't answer them all.
If I don't try to make good of my life,
Then I'm cheating myself and that's no fair at all.

I can't be swayed by what others might say,
I must think for myself, and do things my way.
There's no big hurry to make some great accomplishment,
But I'll never have back the time I've lost today.

Track 6

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I dedicate this song to my dad who passed away some years ago. This is the first real song I ever wrote--I was 18 years old. I needed the last verse. My dad used to remind me of a phrase one of his teachers said, "Don't be swayed by what others might say." That line stuck. So Dad, while he didn't like me always "Pingin' and Pangin' on that guitar" or spray-painting--inside our house-- decoration backdrops (for coffee-house performances) actually provided a nice line that really fit with this song.

