

## Joan Baez "Hello In There"

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Had an apartment in the city  
Me and Loretta liked livin' there  
It's been years since the kids have grown  
Lives of their own, left us alone

John and Linda live in Omaha  
Joe is somewhere on the road  
We lost Davy in the Korean War  
Still don't know what for, don't matter anymore

You know, old trees just grow stronger  
Old rivers grow wider every day  
But old people, they just grow lonesome  
Waiting for someone to say, "Hello in there, hello"

Me and Loretta, we don't talk much now  
She sits and stares at the backdoor screen  
All the news just repeats itself  
Like some forgotten dream that we've both seen

Someday, I'll go and call up Rudy  
We worked together at the factory  
What'll I tell him if he asks, "What's new?"  
Nothing, what's with you? Nothing much to do

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Old rivers grow wider every day  
But old people, they just grow lonesome  
Waiting for someone to say, "Hello in there, hello"

So if you're walking down the street sometime  
Spot some hollow ancient eyes  
Please don't pass 'em by  
And stare like you didn't care

Say, "Hello in there, hello"  
Say, "Hello in there, hello"

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