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"Rocks And Water"

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In the world I knew where I grew up
I strayed off on my own too much
I watched those children running in the distance
Oh the things I dreamed in prairie dust
The Texas wind blew off in gusts
The Melodies called down for me to listen
They said
"You need to feel the rain"
Well I watched that sunrise many days
And look out on the golden plains
Something told me, son there are no limits
Well I held that memory close to me
I always dreamed that I'd be free
I never knew how long it'd take to get there
"You need to hold your faith"
But now I know you, you know me
So tell me what are we doing not living free
We're never given love to hold us back
But no, it's even more than that
We've got to treat each other with respect
Focus all the love that we have left
Just a fragment of the whole, I know
But it is possible to take it all away
In an older time when I awoke

Boyhood dreams were all in smoke
Had I not even noticed what was missing?
Well I let this living make me hard
And then I learned to stay on guard
The Melodies cried down for me to listen
They said
"You need to know the rocks and the water
You need to lay in those leaves
You need to feel the swaying seas
You need to feel the touch of a lover
You need to know her needs
You need to set your real love free"
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Focus all the love that we have left
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I believe that it's possible to take it all the way
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