

David Wilcox "Young Man Dies"

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There's a young man dying
As he stands beside the sea
You can see him smiling
Unbelievably free

Wind in his hair, light in his eyes
He looks a lot like you, you look so surprised
But he could send you on your way
With no goodbyes

But he can't go and you can't stay
'Cause in the years it takes
To make one man wise
The young man dies

Meanwhile you're sailing
As you wave goodbye to shore
You're anticipating what these new days
Will hold in store

It's the mystery of the ocean
An' now he's in over his head
This is no place for the young man
He's got to send you on instead

Still you're looking so surprised
That this change has come as prophesised
But the years won't compromise

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To make one man wise
The young man
The young man dies

And he was such a lonely boy
Yeah, but he could dream, all right
He'd picture you a perfect sunrise
In the middle of your darkest night

He could take a sip from someday
Like he had a secret well
He could listen to the voices calling

That a distant time would tell

With you in that picture
Where you're looking far away
Like you hear a whisper
Of the things you'll know someday

But back then your heart was hungry
For something hard to find
Just holding out for someday
But you've left that pain behind

He walked you through those mountains
Long as he could bear
And he'd never reached this fountain
But he could take you there

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