

## **Michael McGuire**

### **"Imagine The Tears"**

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Every dull early morning I turn on the street that goes  
up the hill, I notice  
the dead end street sign and that's just the way I feel,  
as a little boy I  
thought maybe I'll be an astronaut but I never got off  
the ground, I go to  
work in this dark factory everyday; king of the  
flightless I am crowned.  
If that little boy could have seen thru the fog of the  
years, imagine the  
tears.

My angst and rage has mellowed and become this kind  
of apathetic grind,  
all those future plans are now just dusty dreams in a  
dim corner of my  
mind, I used to be the worlds ambition and the soul  
and logic of  
redemption's heart, but now the man this boy was  
going to be never was;  
the end is a mythical place from the start.  
And if that little boy could have known about the  
random flux of the  
years, imagine the tears.

Nostalgia and selective memory go a long way to  
making the good old  
days good, the past has a way of living up to what the  
future never could,  
balancing the joy of existence with the pettiness of  
existing is the life of a  
man, and it's a wonderful thing that this is something  
the child never has  
to try and understand.  
Cause if that little boy would have ever felt, the  
horrifying death divining  
grinding of the gears, imagine the tears.  
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