

The Monkees

"Carlisle Wheeling"

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In a long and involved conversation with myself
I saw a precious thing come into view
When I poured through the files taken off my mental
shelf
I dusted off some memories of you

Then I thought about the times
When all the world was green
How the pheonix of our love first flapped its silver
wings
All the urgency and passion of each new day as it
happened
And how it all mellowed as it grew

I remember the times that our laughter would explode
And how you would turn to hide your smile
Then the hours of silence while the perfumed candle
glowed
And both of us meandered on for miles

I remember the time I said I really had to go
I remember the tears that filled your eyes
Then I touched your hand and told you that it really was
a lie
And though you never knew I did, I cried

It's amazing how time can so softly change your ways
And make you look at things that can't be seen
How the years that roll by can start you listening
Not just to what they say, but what they mean
So forgive me my dear if I seem preoccupied
If the razor edge of youth filled love is gone
But we're both a little older, our relationship has grown
Not just in how it's shaped, but how it's shown
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