

BOY WITH A DREAM

There once was a boy with an impossible dream.
How can I find my eternity queen?
How can I keep the ones I love close,
When the world spins so fast and I'm doing the most?
How can I win in the games that I play,
When the factors of life push me this way and that way?
How can I love while the world turns to hate?
How might I swim if the flood turns to spate?
How can I help those who starve far away?
And, how can I stand my sister today?
What should I do, where will I go?
I'm confused today and what of tomorrow?
And what of the millions who live with a loss?
Or those who risk all on one pitch and toss?
These questions he asked, not one at a time....
But this way and that way and the sun would NOT shine.

Then one day his friend, (a nice man called Ted),
Knocked on his door and woke him from bed.
Ted asked him a question and the question was this:
"How long will you wait for eternity's kiss?"

"Just take a walk and look in the sky.
Look at the kestrel and know how to fly.
Look at the tree and know how to grow.
Look at the land and know how to know.
Look at the wheat and know how to feed.
Look at a child and understand need.
Look at the stars and know how to rise.
Look at an ant and know your size.
Look at your history and know your past.
Look at your friends and know they will last."

So the boy took a walk and he looked and he stared.
He knew lizards and lupins and stopped being scared.
He knew of road kill and rat traps,
Of mill mice and cat naps.
He looked and he knew.
He saw me, he saw you.
One day while walking, and he'd seen everything else,
He took a slight peek and met himself.
That day he knew, how to reverse all decline.
And on that day, the sun, it really DID shine!
A rainbow formed.
It broke over the hill.
And its color and laughter was the ultimate thrill.

He continues to walk, to this very day.
His confusion is gone, he has lost his dismay.
Gone is the boy with an impossible dream,
Come is the man and his eternity queen.

And far in the future, an old man in bed
Will think, "How lucky I was to have a friend called Ted."

