He Went To Paris

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He went to Paris looking for answers To the questions that bothered him so He was impressive, young and aggressive Saving the world on his own

The warm summer breezes and French wine and cheeses Put his ambitions at bay Summers and winters scattered like splinters And four to five years slipped away

He went to England, played the piano And married an actress named Kim They had a good life, she was a fine wife And bore him a young son named Jim

All of the answers to most of the questions Locked in his attic some day But he liked the quiet clean country living And twenty more years skipped away

The war took his baby, the bombs killed his lady
And left him with only one eye
His body was battered, his whole world was shattered
And all he could do was just cry

While the tears were falling
He was recalling the answers that he never found
Hopped on a freighter, skated the ocean
And left England without a sound

Now he lives in the islands, fishes the pilings And drinking his Green Label each day Writing his memories, losing his hearing But he don't care what most people say

After 86 years of perpetual motion
If he likes you he'll smile and say
Some of it's magic, some of it's tragic
But I had a good life all the way

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