## The Rhythm Of Life

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The rhythm of life
Heaven withstanding and smiling we're all swept away
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Is not so demanding as some caught in narrows would say

Fragile as ships as we pass through Gibraltar The sirens have long given way Dark as the murky graveyard of sailors Whispering secrets told in the crashing waves

The beating of hearts
Set walls to trembling the power of silence persuades
The stumbling feet
Stagger predestined we all end up wild eyed and crazed

And from the madness most jaded of vision
Reflections of horror invade
Running and falling relinquish your venom
The antidote surely will cause your affliction to fade

How little we know of what we are blessed with Our shimmering island it turns How little we look at what we see clearly Of tragedy's lessons not learned

Sleeping through classes we'll make it up later
There's still so much time left to go
Misguided roses we bloom in October
Emerging triumphant in time for the season's first snow