

## Down In The Valley Woe

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So long, sentimental lady  
Is there something that you're trying to say to me?  
Cinderella complicated  
It ain't how you thought that it would be  
If I die before I wake  
It must have been a bad mistake  
Depending on the pills you take  
Can complicate and devastate  
Now estimate, your time on earth  
Do you recall your place of birth?  
And can you tell what it's all worth  
And are you really satisfied?  
Paint me a picture of a baby  
I want to see how lonesome I can be  
I don't want no one to save me  
I'm not going to leave here silently  
What I have and what I've lost and  
Every coin I've fountain tossed  
Like every line I thought I crossed  
Just cut me when the winter frost  
I paid the cost; your rebel dreams  
Suitcases and magazines  
And I know I ain't alone  
If I make it to the city  
Won't you do your best and honey pray for me?  
They say that all the girls are pretty  
They say that they don't dance for free  
But forks and knives and rusted spoons  
Bottomless in basement rooms  
Your worn-out brides and reckless grooms  
Are building tombs with pink balloons  
Darkness looms an airless night  
Just a matchbook and some dynamite  
And it won't matter who's wrong or right  
'Cause they're too tired to care  
I can't help it but to ramble  
I don't ever stay too long  
Daddy warned you not to gamble  
He said, "Just pass your chips along"  
Nursery rhymes and valentines  
'Blessed be the tie that binds'  
A thousand mouths can speak one mind  
While love is still left undefined  
And undermined, misunderstood  
She hides beneath her happy hood  
Saying, "What is God?" and "What is Good"  
And, "Why am I still here?"