

## Single Life

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People say  
They're jealous of me  
Asking all the time how I can be so lucky  
And how they wish they'd never kissed  
The single life goodbye  
And why  
They struggle every day  
To keep from straying  
They want my life  
They call and me a crafty little devil  
They think I've got it made  
That my streets are paved and golden  
And I bath in sun rays every day

And everybody tell me  
Not to be afraid  
To gather all the harvest  
That the good Lord made  
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When you sleep  
You sleep alone  
And you can roll right to the centre of the bed  
And you don't have to have strength  
For anybody else  
And you never have to shout  
To defend yourself  
You can eat cake and even ice cream  
And you can stay out really late  
And you can bring home someone  
To make you feel special  
But it's for a few hours  
Then they go away

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When I see two people  
They look crazy in love  
A little bit of heaven  
Shining in their eyes  
Free and single sounds exciting and it can be  
With no warning a great adventure calls  
Hitch a ride  
Every time I think I've found that someone  
I awake  
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Don't obsess  
But I'm looking real hard  
It's a spice that I'm missing  
From the ingredients  
I got freedom  
And the money that I work for every day  
Could buy me a colour  
But it won't buy me a body  
I can feel the language  
The language of love  
That's so universal  
Everybody gets to speak it  
When they fall in love  
That's the end of lonely nights  
And  
Single life