

## If I Had My Way

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Long ago and far away  
Before the world had come to this  
I took for granted how my life would be  
Assuming that my freedom would be free  
Before these evening shadows fell  
I reveled in the light of day  
I rarely ever cried, my patience wasn't tried  
And heroes never died  
But if I had my way  
Things would be different  
Danger wouldn't come from a sky of blue  
Choices would be clear  
And strangers would be kinder  
Love a little blinder  
As it saved the day  
If I had my way  
Every now and then it seems  
We live our lives to such extremes  
Racing all around, never homeward bound  
Losing what we've found  
But if I had my way  
Things would be different  
No one would believe that a lie was true  
Choices would be clear  
And wisdom would be heeded  
Warnings never needed  
This is what I'd pray  
If I had my way  
The milk of human kindness  
Would seek us out and find us  
And color all the words we say  
And hearts would come alive  
Instead of breaking  
No one would believe that a lie was true  
Angels would appear  
Children would be cherished  
Hope would never parish  
Faith would not betray  
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