

# Meaning of Loneliness

Van Morrison

Lost in a strange city  
Nowhere to turn  
Far cry from the streets that  
I came from  
It can get lonely  
When you're travelling hard  
But you can even be lonely  
Standing in your own backyard

Nobody knows the existential dread  
Of the things that go on inside  
Someone else's head  
Whether it be trivial  
Or something that Dante said  
But baby nobody knows the meaning of loneliness

No matter how well you know someone  
You can only ever guess  
How can you ever really know somebody else?  
It takes more than a lifetime  
Just to get to know yourself  
Nobody know the meaning of loneliness

I have to say a word about solitude  
For the soul it sometimes they say can be good  
I'm partial to it myself I must confess  
Nobody knows the meaning of loneliness

Well there's Sarte and Camus, Nietzsche and Hesse  
If you dig deep enough  
You gonna end up in distress  
And no one escapes having to live life under duress  
And no one escapes the meaning of loneliness

Well they say keep it simple when it gets to be a mess  
And fame and fortune  
Never brought anyone happiness  
I must be lucky  
Some of my friends think that I'm really blessed  
Nobody knows the meaning of loneliness

Bright lights, big city nowhere to run  
Far cry from the streets where I was born  
I've been doing some travelling  
Sometimes the road gets hard  
But you can also be lonely  
Standing in your own backyard

No, no, no, no, no, no, nobody knows  
The meaning of loneliness  
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Nobody knows the meaning of loneliness