

# I Am ... I Said

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L.A.'s fine, the sun shines most the time  
And the feeling is 'lay back'  
Palm trees grow, and rents are low  
But you know I keep thinkin' about

Making my way back  
Well I'm New York City born and raised  
But nowadays, I'm lost between two shores  
L.A.'s fine, but it ain't home

New York's home, but it ain't mine no more  
"I am," I said  
To no one there  
An no one heard at all

Not even the chair  
"I am," I cried  
"I am," said I  
And I am lost, and I can't even say why

Leavin' me lonely still  
Did you ever read about a frog who dreamed of bein' a king  
And then became one  
Well except for the names and a few other changes

I you talk about me, the story's the same one  
But I got an emptiness deep inside  
And I've tried, but it won't let me go  
And I'm not a man who likes to swear

But I never cared for the sound of being alone  
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An no one heard at all  
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And I am lost, and I can't even say why  
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