

Joanne

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And I saw as she went, a most hopeless situation
For Joanne and the man and the time
That made them both run
She was only a girl, I know that well
But still I could not see
That the hold that she had
Was much stronger than the love she felt for me
But staying with her and my little bit of wisdom
Broke down her desires
Like a light through a prism, into yellows and blues
And the tune that I could not have sung
Though the essence is gone
I have no tears to cry for her
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