

Long As You're Living

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(I)

FORGIVE ME IF I SEEM TO PREACH - BUT THERE IS SOMETHING THAT I WANT TO SAY
A MESSAGE THAT I HOPE WILL REACH - PEOPLE WHO ARE THROWING LIFE AWAY
I CALL IT MY PHILOSOPHY - THAT IS WHY I PASS IT ON TO YOU
BECAUSE IT WORKS SO WELL FOR ME - IT HELPS ME GET AWAY FROM STRIFE
I HOPE YOU LISTEN CAREFULLY - THEY SAY THE TRUTH WILL MAKE YOU FREE
AND THAT'S THE WAY YOU WANT TO BE - 'CAUSE BROTHER THIS IS YOUR LIFE

(II)

LONG AS YOU'RE LIVIN' - ALWAYS REMEMBER
TIME IS FOR SPENDIN' - BUT THERE'S AN ENDING
WHILE YOU ARE SLEEPIN' - LIFETIME IS CREEPIN'
WAKE UP AND TASTE IT - FOOLISH TO WASTE IT
SAMPLE AND SAVOR - ALL OF IT'S FLAVOR

LONG AS YOU'RE LIVIN'.....(III)

LONG AS YOU'RE LIVIN' - ALWAYS REMEMBER
FOLKS WHO ARE LAZY - ARE PLAYING CRAZY
BETTER KEEP MOVIN' - KEEP ON IMPROVIN'
YOU WON'T BE HURRIED - AFTER YOU'RE BURIED
LIVE EVERY MINUTE - PUT YOURSELF IN IT

LONG AS YOU'RE LIVIN'.....(IV)

LONG AS YOU'RE LIVIN' - ALWAYS REMEMBER
YOU'LL NEVER BEAT LIFE - DON'T TRY TO CHEAT LIFE
ALL IN ARE BROTHERS - DO UNTO OTHERS
LOVE'S FOR ENJOYING -HATE'S FOR DESTROYING
NEVER FORGET IT - OR YOU'LL REGRET IT

LONG AS YOUR LIVIN...(V)

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