Song for Adam

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Though Adam was a friend of mine

I did not know him well

He was alone into his distance

He was deep into his well

I could guess what he was laughing at

But I couldn't really tell

Now the story's told that Adam jumped

But I've been thinking that he fellTogether we went traveling

As we received the call

His destination India

And I had none at all

Well, I still remember laughing

With our backs against the wall

So free of fear, we never thought

That one of us might fallI sit before my only candle

But it's so little light to find my way

Now this story unfolds before my candle

Which is shorter every hour

As it reaches for the day

But I feel just like a candle in the way

I guess I'll get there

But I wouldn't say for sureWhen we parted we were laughing still

As our goodbyes were said

And I never heard from him again

As each our lives we led

Except for once in someone else's

Letter that I read

Until I heard the sudden word

That a friend of mine was deadI sit before my only candle

Like a pilgrim sits beside the way

Now this journey appears before my candle

As a song that's growing fainter

The harder I play

That I fear before I end I'll fade away

But I guess I'll get there

Though I wouldn't say for sureThough Adam was a friend of mine,

I did not know him long

And when I stood myself beside him,

I never though I was as strong

Still it seems he stopped his singing
In the middle of his song
Well I'm not the one to say I know
But I'm hoping he was wrongI'm holding out my only candle
Though it's so little light to find my way
Now this story's been laid beneath my candle
And it's shorter every hour
As it reaches for the day
Yes, I feel just like a candle in the way
I hope I'll get there
But I never pray

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