

'Cross the Green Mountain

Bob Dylan

I crossed the green mountain
I slept by the stream
Heaven blazing in my head
I dreamt a monstrous dreamSomething came up
Out of the sea
Swept through the land of
The rich and the freeI look into the eyes
Of my merciful friend
And then I ask myself
Is this the end?Memories linger
Sad yet sweet
And I think of the souls
In heaven who will meetAlters are burning
The flames far and wide
The foe has crossed over
From the other sideThey tip their caps
From the top of the hill
You can feel them come
More brave blood do spillAlong the dim
Atlantic line
The ravaged land
Lasts for miles behindThe lights coming forward
And the streets are broad
All must yield
To the avenging GodThe world is old
The world is grey
Lessons of life
Can't be learned in a dayI watch and I wait
And I listen while I stand
To the music that comes
From a far better landClose the eyes of our captain
Peace may he know
His long night is done
The great leader is laid lowHe was ready to fall
He was quick to defend
Killed outright he was
By his own menIt's the last day's last hour
Of the last happy year
I feel that the unknown world is so nearPride will vanish

And glory will rot
But virtue lives
And cannot be forgotThe bells
Of evening have rung
There's blasphemy on every tongueLet them say that I walked
In fair nature's light
And that I was loyal
To truth and to rightServe God and be cheerful
Look upward beyond
Beyond the darkness that masks
The surprises of dawnIn the deep green grasses
And the blood stained woods
They never dreamed of surrendering
They fell where they stoodStars fell over Alabama
I saw each star
You're walking in dreams
Whoever you areChilled are the skies
Keen is the frost
The ground's froze hard
And the morning is lostA letter to mother
Came today
Gunshot wound to the breast
Is what it did sayBut he'll be better soon
He's in a hospital bed
But he'll never be better
He's already deadI'm ten miles outside the city
And I'm lifted away
In an ancient light
That is not of dayThey were calm, they were blunt
We knew them all too well
We loved each other more than
We ever dared to tell

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