Wasn't Born to Follow

Roger McGuinn

No I'd rather go and journey

Where the diamond crescent's glowing
And run across the valley

Beneath the sacred mountain

And wander through the forest

Where the trees have leaves of prisms

That break the sight up into colors

That no one know the names of And when it's time I'll go and lay

Beside the legendary fountain

Till I see her form reflected

In its clear and gentle waters

And if you think I'm ready

You may lead me to the chasm

Where the rivers of our visions

Flow into one anotherAnd I'll stay awhile and wonder

At the mist that they created

And lose myself within it

Cleanse my mind and body

And I know at this moment

As I stand in that cathedral

I will want to dive

Beneath the white cascading waterShe may beg and she may plead

And she may argue with her logic

Mention all the things I'll lose

That really have no value

Though I doubt that she will ever

Come to understand my meaning

In the end she'll surely know

I was not born to follow

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