Oysters And Pearls

Jimmy Buffett

Lindbergh left Long Island in 1927

Thumbed his nose at gravity

And climbed into the heavens.

When he returned to earth that night everything changed,
For the pilot and the planet, everything was rearranged.

We're a pretty mixed up bunch Of crazy human beans It's written on our rocket ships And in early cave wall scenes.

How does it happen,
How do we know,
Who sits and watches
Who does the show?
Chorus
Some people love to lead
And some refuse to dance.
Some play it safely, other take a chance.
Still it's all a mystery

This place we call the world Where most live as oysters While some become pearls.

Elvis was the only man from Northeast Mississippi
Who could shake his hips and still be loved by rednecks, cops and hippies.
It's something more than DNA that tells us who we are
It's method and it's magic, we are of the stars.

Chorus

Some never fade away, some crash and burn

Some make the world go round, other watch it turn.

Still it's all a mystery

This place we call the world.

Most are fine as oysters

While some become pearls.

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