There's a Light Beyond These Woods

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There's a light beyond these woods, Mary Margaret
Do you think that we will go there
And see what makes it shine, Mary Margaret?
It's almost morning and we've talked all night
You know we've made big plans for ten-year olds
You and IHave you met my new boy friend, Margaret?
His name is John and he rides my bus to school
And he holds my hand

He's fourteen, he's my older man But we'll still be the best of friends

The three of us, Margaret, John and ILet's go to New York City, Margaret

We'll hide out in the subways

And drink the poets wine, oh

But I had John, so you went and I stayed behind

But you were home in time for the senior prom

When we lost JohnThe fantasies we plan, I'm living them now

All the dreams we sang when we knew how

Well, they haven't changed

There's never been two friends like you and me

Mary MargaretIt's nice to see your family growing, Margaret

Your daughter and your husband there

They really treat you right but we've talked all night

And what about the light, that glowed beyond

Our woods when we were ten?

You were the rambler then The fantasies we planned, well, Maggie

I'm living them now

All the dreams we sang, oh, we damn sure knew

How but I haven't changed

There'll never be two friends like you and me

Maggie, can't you see?

There's a light beyond your woods, Mary Margaret

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