

# The Way Life's Meant to Be

## Electric Light Orchestra

Well I came a long way to be here today  
And I left you so long on this avenue  
And here, I stand in the strangest land  
Not knowing what to say or do  
As I gaze around at these strangers in town  
I guess the only stranger is me  
And I wonder, yes I wonder  
Is this the way life's meant to be?  
Although it's only a day, since I was taken away  
And left standing here looking in wonder  
Oh, the ground at my feet, maybe it's just the old street  
But everything that I know, lies under  
And when I see, what they've done to this place  
That was home, shame is all that I feel  
Oh, and I wonder, yes I wonder  
Is this the way life's meant to be?  
Too late, too late to cry, the people say  
Too late for you, too late for me  
You've come so far, now you know everything my friend  
Just look and see the wonders of our world  
And I wonder, yes I wonder  
Is this the way life's meant to be?  
As I wander around this wreck of a town  
Where people never speak aloud  
With its ivory towers and its plastic flowers  
I wish, I was back in 1981  
Just to see your face, instead of this place  
Now I know what you mean to me  
Oh, and I wonder, yes I wonder  
Is this the way life's meant to be?  
Oh, I wonder, oh I wonder, wonder, wonder  
Is this the way life's meant to be?  
Oh, is this the way life's meant to be?  
Hmm, is this the way life's meant to be?  
I want to know now, is this the way life's meant to be?

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