Come Live With Me

Dorothy Ashby

I was thirty-seven

You were seventeen

You were half my age

The youth I'd never seenUnlikely people meeting in a dream

Heaven only knows

The way it should have beenHere today, my tomorrow

Where you lead I will follow

All that kissing

No passion missingCome live with me

Kiss the boys goodbye

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Come live with meDinner parties followed

And all my age implies

My friends began to talk

I began to realizeIf half the things they say

Are quarter true of me

Then how can I eclipse the youth?

You gave to set me freeThere was something in your smile

That was hard to reconcile

The time had come to testify to reasonThough years will not erase

Remembrance of those days

At least there's

No submission to hearts treasonHere today, my tomorrow

No more shame, only sorrow

All that kissing

There's something missingCome live with me

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Come live with meNow there's nothing left to cry for

And there's nowhere left to go

Just another hopeless fight

But how were we to know? The strong are sometimes wrong

But the weak are never free

The choice we made, we can't evade

Don't try to follow meHere today, my tomorrow

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