He Went to Paris

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He went to Paris lookin' for answers To questions that bothered him so He was impressive young and agressive Savin' the world on his own.

Warm summer breezes French wine and cheeses Put his ambition at bay The summers and winters scattered like splinters And four or five years slipped away.

He went to England played the piano And married an actress named Kim They had a good life she was a good wife And bore him a young son named Jim.

All of the answers and all of the questions He locked in his attic one day 'Cause he liked the quiet clean country livin' And twenty more years slipped away.

War took his baby bombs killed his lady And left him with only one eye His body was battered his whole world was shattered All he could do was just cry.

While the tears were fallin' he was recallin' Answers that he never found So he hopped in a freighter skidded the ocean And left England without a sound.

Now he lives in the island fishes the pilin' And drinks his green label each day Writin' his memoirs losin' his hearin' But he don't care what most people say.

After eighty-six years of perpetual motion If he likes you he'll smile and say Well, some of it's magic probably tragic But I had a good life all the way.

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