

## Viva La Vida

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I used to rule the world, seas would rise when I gave the word.  
Now in the morning I sleep alone, sweep the streets I used to own.

I used to roll the dice, feel the fear in my enemy's eyes  
Listen as the crowd would sing  
"Now the old king is dead! Long live the king!".  
One minute I held the key, next the walls were closed on me  
And I discovered that my castle stands  
Upon pillars of salt, pillars of sand.

I hear Jerusalem bells ringing, Roman Cavalry choirs are singing.  
Be my mirror, my sword and shield, my missionaries in a foreign field.  
For some reason I can't explain, once you go there was never  
Never an honest world but that was when I ruled the world.

It was the wicked and wild wind, blew down the doors to let me in.  
Shattered windows and the sound of drums  
People couldn't believe what I'd become.  
Revolutionaries wait for my head on a silver plate  
Just a puppet on a lonely string, oh who would ever want to be king?

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For some reason I can't explain, I know Saint Peter won't call my name.  
Never an honest world but that was when I ruled the world.

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