## **People Have the Power**

## **Patti Smith**

I was dreamin' in my dreamin' Of an aspect bright and fair And my sleepin' it was broken But my dream it lingered near

In the form of shinin' valleys Where the pure air recognized Oh, and my senses newly opened And I awakened to the cry

And the people have the power To redeem the work of fools From the meek the graces shower It's decreed the people rule

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Vengeful aspects became suspect And bending low as if to hear Well, and the armies ceased advancin' Because the people had their ear

And the shepherds ... the soldiers And they laid among the stars Exchanging visions, layin' arms To waste in the dust

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Where there were deserts, I saw fountains Like cream the waters rise And we strolled there together With none to laugh or criticize

There is no leopard and the lamb And lay together truly bound Well I was hopin' in my hopin' To recall what I had found

Well I was dreamin' in my dreamin' God knows a pure view As I lay down into my sleepin' And I commit my dream with you

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The power to dream, to rule
To wrestle the earth from fools
But it's decreed the people rule
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Listen, I believe everythin' we dream Can come to pass through our union We can turn the world around We can turn the earth's revolution

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