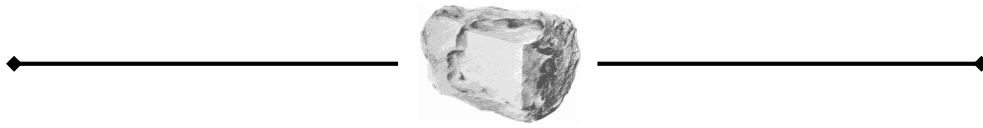


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The autumn of my life catches me by surprise.

Do I look as old as the face in the Mirror in other people's eyes?

How did I get here so fast?

I thought my youth would always last

Where did all of those years go?

I'm really not sure, but it sure would be nice to know



I remember seeing old people and thinking "I'm years away..."

From what those old folks look like today"

But, here it is, now my friends are retired and getting grey...
They move slower than they did in my day..

Like the ones who were young like me....

Our age is showing and I thought that would never be.

Each day now, taking a shower is my target for the day...

And sleeping longer is not a treat anymore... it's mandatory!

And so now, I enter into the fall season of my life,
so now, does my sweet wife



We may not be as strong as we were in the day,
but time has taught us to love in a deeper way.

With the loss of physical strength comes a bond
that grows stronger as the years go on

With the loss of looks comes a love,
That is forged by fire, from the Lord God above.

With the loss of some of our physical passion,
comes a precious gift from Him, true compassion.

We can't do things like we once had done,
we've learned now, to depend on the Holy one

He created space and time,
and this love that we have, hers and mine

When my winter comes, I'll start a brand new life,
with my Lord and my wife.



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