

# Jackson Browne, From Silver Lake

Did you see our brother? He was here the other day  
But he only came to say that he was leaving  
Did you see his lady? She was looking where he'd gone  
But she wasn't letting on that she was grieving  
She's bound to go  
Perhaps she'll find him waiting for his boat in some city far away  
She's bound to go

Lately I remember afternoons of smoke and wine  
There was nothing we could find but peace and pleasure  
And with a smile he told me that he wanted just to be  
On his way across the sea no man can measure  
He won't be back  
And the sun may find him sleeping in the dust  
Of some ruin far away  
He won't be back

Early today as I watched while the skyline was shaking  
I heard a rumbling  
Early today the mechanical city was waking  
And I ran out stumbling, mumbling  
Out through the laughter of children and dogs

Did you see our brother? He was here the other day  
But he only came to say that he can't breathe here  
Did you see his lady? She was reaching for his hand  
Just a if to tell her man that she can't either  
They're bound to go  
And the sun may find me running after them seeing something far away  
We won't be back

(Someone who had been away  
Suddenly came back today  
And I allowed him home today into my mind  
For...  
Evil packed upon the place  
Long ago he meant to stay out there this time  
Oh what do you know  
The love that I've been feeling  
The past is healing so slow  
By tomorrow gone from sorrow)