Aretha Franklin, A Change Is Gonna Come

There's an old friend
That I once heard say
Something that touched my heart
And it began this way

I was born by the river In a little tent And just like the river I've been runnin' ever since He said it's been a long time comin' But I know my change is gonna come Oh yeah

He said it's been too hard livin'
But I'm afraid to die
I might not be if I knew
What was up there beyond the sky
It's been a long, a long time comin'
But I know my change has got to come
Oh yeah

I went, I went to my brother And I asked him, "Brother Could you help me, please?" He said, "Good sister I'd like to but I'm not able" And when I, when I looked around I was right back down Down on my bended knees Yes I was, oh

There've been times that I thought I thought that I wouldn't last for long But somehow right now I believe That I'm able, I'm able to carry on I tell you that it's been along And oh it's been an uphill journey All the way But I know, I know, I know I know my change is gonna come Sometimes I had to cry all night long Yes I did Sometimes I had to give up right For what I knew was wrong Yes it's been an uphill journey It's sure's been a long way comin' Yes it has It's been real hard Every step of the way But I believe, I believe This evenin' my change is come Yeah I tell you that My change is come..