

Frank Sinatra, I'm Not Afraid

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One afternoon I came to hear
You sing a soft song into my ear
Who would have thought quite by chance
We might engage in a loving dance?

Coming together, coming apart
Lost in diversions, dancing stars
Caught in the quiet, off on our own
Coming together, standing alone

Are you afraid?
I'm not afraid

What about you, what about me?
Two years from now where will we be?
Each of us gone our separate ways
Lost in a headlong passage of days

Maybe we might give love a try
Extending the moment before "goodbye"
And for a gentle moment in time
We'll take what pleasure people can find

Are you afraid?
I'm not afraid

What is for real, what is false?
All of us seem to be caught in a waltz
Turning around, turning again
When will the dancing ever end?

As for us, you and me
Our eyes are open, we can see
Both of us know where we've been
Why must we both go dancing again?

[brief instrumental]

Come join the dancing, come join the waltz
Don't look too closely at my faults
Why can't I die here in your arms?
Safe from the night and safe from the dawn

Back to the nothing that had no name
Back to the nowhere from where I came
Don't worry of me, I know what I am
Where I'm goin' and where I've been

I'm not afraid!
I'm not afraid!
No, I'm not afraid!