John Hiatt, Thirty Years Of Tears

Is this a place I can rest my poor head To gather my thoughts in sweet silence Is this a place where the feelings aren't dead From an overexposure to violence And is this a place I can slowly face The only one I truly can know

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Oh Darling, oh darling, say unto me Where have you been all my lifetime Well I have been swimmin' the seven sad seas Fair women have thrown me their lifelines And I just pulled them on to the water's dark grin I'd have warned 'em but I didn't know

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Well, I've cried me a river, I've cried me a lake I've cried till the past nearly drowned me Tears for sad consequences
Tears for mistakes
But never these tears that surround me

Alone in this place with a lifetime to trace And a heartbeat that tells me it's so I've got these tears from a long time ago These are tears from a long time ago And I need to cry 30 years or so These are tears from a long time ago These are tears from a long time ago I've got these tears from a long time ago