

Linda Eder, If I Had My Way

Long ago and far away
Before the world had come to this
I took for granted how my life would be
Assuming that my freedom would be free
Before these evil shadows fell
I reveled in the light of day
I rarely ever cried
My patience wasn't tried
And heroes never died
But if I had my way, things would be different
Danger wouldn't come from a sky of blue
Choices would be clear
Strangers would be kinder
Love a little blinder
As it saved the day
If I had my way
Every now and then it seems
We live our lives to such extremes
Racing all around, never homeward bound
Losing what we found
But if I had my way, things would be different
No one would believe that a lie was true
Choices would be clear
Wisdom would be heeded
Warnings never needed
This is what I pray
If I had my way
The milk of human kindness
Will seek us out and find us
And color all the words we say
And hearts would come alive, instead of breaking
No one would believe that a lie was true
Angels would appear
Children would be cherished
Hope would never perish
Faith would not be tried
If I had my way