Nick Cave, The Singer

As I walk these narrow streets Where a million passin feet have trod before me With my guitar in my hand Suddenly I realize nobody knows me

Where yesterday the multitude Screamed and cried my name out for a song Today the streets are empty And the crowds have all gone home

I pass a million houses But there is no place that I belong All I knew to give you Was song after song after song

All the truths I tried to tell you Were as distant to you as the moon Born 200 years too late And 200 years too soon

I'm a child of this age Locked into the pages of your book And when I am but dust and clay And all the children stop to take a look

Will they marvel at the miracles I did perform And the heights I did aspire Or will they tear out the pages of the book To light a fire

With the rain on my face There is no place that I belong Did you forget this fucking singer so soon? And did you forget my song?