Nick Drake, Suicide Is Painless

Through early morning fog I see visions of the things to be the pains that are withheld for me I realize and I can see...

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That suicide is painless it brings on many changes and I can take or leave it if I please.

I try to find a way to make all our little joys relate without that ever-present hate but now I know that it's to late, and...

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The game of life is hard to play I'm going to lose it anyway the losing card I'll someday lay so this is all I have to say

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The only way to win is cheat and lay it down before I'm beat and to another give my seat

for that's the only painless feat

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The sword of time will pierce our skins it doesn't hurt when it begins but as it works its way on in the pain grows stronger...watch it grin but...

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A brave man once requested me to answer questions that are key is it to be or not to be and I replied 'oh why ask me?'

'Cause suicide is painless it brings on many changes and I can take or leave it if I please

...and you can do the same thing if you please.