Porter Wagoner, I Found A Man

It was on a Sunday morning when I found him standing all alone starin' into space He looked like a man had lived a hard life and the hurt of it showed on his face Hunger for food showed through his loose clothes

That you could tell were once tailored to fit

And a distant look was in his eyes as though he'd just seen hell's fiery pits

When I first spoke to him it seemed like he didn't hear a sound

And I stood there for a minute and thought he might be deaf

But then he turned around

And acted like he wanted to say something but couldn't speak

So I took him by the arm and said would you like to talk to me

In his humble voice so shaky soft and low

Said you look like an old friend of mine someone from long long ago

Then he said I've been thinkin' a lot about a little place not too far away from here

Where they sing and pray and they say God will answer prayers

But I can't seem to find it by myself would you walk with me over there

Then I choked the tears back before I could say a word

Then the church bells started ringin' the prettiest I ever heard

And as we walked toward the church house we'd stop along the way

And just listen to the church bells ring out God's holy day

And as we walked into that sacred place

I felt I was all alone with God but my friend had gone away

And then as I knelt down to pray it was all so plain to see

That the friend that I'd been talkin' to was my own soul inside of me

And for the first time I found myself inside myself with God's helping hand

The Master of the Universe thank you for finding this man (Amen)