

# The Kinks, Now And Then

In the beginning of it all there was the land  
And the sea and she sky  
Then into the middle of it all there came man  
To live on the land.  
And then a great nation  
Put into operation an evolutionary plan  
Now mighty corporations and politicians rule the land

Wish I could remember when  
We were more innocent  
Than all of those violent bitter men.  
The world was much younger then  
But we were much wiser then.  
Before we were full of discontent.

It's too bad the simple ways came sadly to an end  
I guess that's the difference between now and then.  
In the beginning of it all there was the land.  
We were much younger then  
But we were much wiser then  
We never questioned why or when  
One day we'll be born again  
Our lovers and friends will remain  
To live in a world without suffering and pain

And I can see a day when enemies are friends.  
And there'll be no distance between now and then.  
In the beginning of it all there was the Land.