I hear your whisper, I know your name

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Dear Lord it was not too long ago when I ran about here and there looking for what, I did not know toward a place I knew not where.

You, a faceless formless force some THING, an energy somehow, a blurred unknowable source not a person in the here and now.

I judged a man not knowing much of what he loved and how he came to be who he was or what he'd touched. He was easy to judge and blame.

They said if I wanted to feel YOUR hand, to see your greatness turned to me, first I had to think of a good friend who I knew well, who I really **did** see.

I thought of my buddy named Joe his tears his laugh his sad and lonely past how he loved in both his highs and lows, the knowledge and history he'd amassed.

Knowing my sweet wife and our private names I thought of how YOU know every little thing about me how I grew and how I became. I thought of how you and I talk and sing.

I recalled how I found you and got a new birth how you and I speak in a most personal way You are a person now, not a mere force of earth I call you Papa in the morning and at midday.

I see you in grand canyons, in the starry night hear you in music in the giggle of a child I cannot get away from you or lose your light you're all around me in the cities, in the wild.

You are a person who whispers and talks I know your names and you know mine you are with me when I crawl and when I walk we have a love and friendship rare, and fine.

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