I Want to Live

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There are children raised in sorrow On a scorched and barren plain There are children raised beneath the golden sun There are children of the water And children of the sand And they cry out through the universe Their voices raised as oneI want to live I want to grow I want to see I want to know I want to share what I can give I want to be I want to liveHave you gazed out on the ocean Seen the breaching of a whale? Have you watched the dolphins frolic in the foam? Have you heard the song the humpback hears five hundred miles away Telling tales of ancient history of passages and home? I want to live I want to grow I want to see I want to know I want to share what I can give I want to be I want to liveFor the worker and the warrior the lover and the liar For the native and the wanderer in kind For the maker and the user and the mother and her son I am looking for my family and all of you are mineWe are standing all together Face to face and arm in arm We are standing on the threshold of a dream No more hunger no more killing No more wasting life away It is simply an idea And I know its time has come I want to live I want to grow I want to see I want to know I want to share what I can give I want to be I want to live

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