A Friday Night In February

Little did I know as I sat at the door We would feed and sleep 50 or more It seems to be somewhat insane It seems to be quite profane

They don't seem different from me Why are they on the street you see I have a home and others do not What is that I have got

A young man comes in, his pregnant wife in tow I feel like I should say to them, you know It is not a good thing to do To have a child when you live like you do

But then I stop and I think Who am I to raise such a stink Maybe they have a place to go That is away from the cold and the snow

A single women enters in She can't be more than fifteen She is cold and shivering I see But still she thanks me for the candy

Another comes in and asks for a bed I ask him, if he wishes to be fed His eyes so tired look at me Saying I really don't care, just take care of me

I think what hurts me the most To see those who have given up hope They seem to be depressed, discouraged, lifeless, not free Dejected, discarded, forgotten, so disposable., so empty

What is it that we do to these How is it we let them freeze Can we not share, on this planet With them the gifts we take for granted

How do we give them hope for the future The only way is to nurture To treat each as a gift from God That is all any can ask, by God

And if you wonder aloud like me What will it take to change the greed It must start with you and me Working to make them free

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