

Love Begins With Me
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If we will stop being sentimental
And try to be very much instrumental
In doing one thing that's fundamental
And that's to give love unconditional

If love will grow in the deepest part of our hearts
Like the budding of the sweet rose flower
Thriving, flourishing and filling the earth
Then, the human race will have a face

If we will touch a life each passing day
And it will reflect on life's record book
If we will smile because someone else did
Then, there will be no life so fulfilling

If we will give up our fame and fortune
Just to do the work of charity in all places
Rendering voluntary services to mankind
Then, there will be nothing so humanitarian

If we will make it our daily pledge
To be committed to preserve and conserve
The antique and aesthetic beauty of the planet
Reducing the perilous and destructive
Impact on our magnificent milieu

If we will speak out aloud
About the mission and vision of love
Allowing love to diffuse in the air
Consuming the earth with its effusive fragrance

If the seed of love be planted
Every single place we go
Allowing it to blossom and bloom
Forming a valley and fountain
Where men will quench their thirst

If love will flow from the springs of our hearts
Irrigating the earth with its bountiful wetness
Where men, animals, plants and the earth's crust
Will feel its sweet cold embrace

If love will spread from the rainbows of our hearts
Decorating the planet with its colour of grandeur
Where men, animals, plants and the earth's crust
Will be looking bright and radiantly splendid

If we will feel the tangible nature of love
And be symbiotic, caring and sharing
Flying and soaring like the eagle
Reaching for one another's hands

If the rhythm of our hearts will echo
Singing the music of brotherly love
In our communities and beyond
Letting acrimony and discrimination vanish
Carrying on our shoulders the weight of the world

As the streams will flow
As the rivers will run deep
As the stars will shine bright
As the sun will rise
As the rainbows will appear
So will the doors of my heart
Open to all and sundry
And the songs of love unconditional
Will be heard like a subtle whisper
From my mouth every where I go
And also will I say "love begins with me"
Just for this one thing
A good cause
To heal the world
To save the universe