

The Consolation of the Stars

I was once a space adventurer, if only in my games
I would defy galactic emperors with my bold heroic aims
Watch the years expand behind me, still the sky stays in my thoughts
At my school you might find me hung out with geeky sorts

And the bullies did what the bullies do
But I was on my way to Mars
Lost in dreams of the deepest blue
The consolation of the stars
Of the stars

Berenice's hair, white-winged stallions, bring comfort in the dark
So many faint distant companions in each second of an arc
The sun sends rays through the atmosphere
That fall across my old guitar
Subtle cheer in a lonely year
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I may never get home tonight, I may fall along the way
But I'll keep searching for a point of light that can outshine the artificial day

When our short voyage runs into turbulence the planets will align
Lost in the tides of wild impermanence a universe still shines

Who can grasp the enormity
That humbles presidents and tsars?
The warm sweet balm of infinity
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And what new worlds will tomorrow bring?
We know that everything must pass
Close your eyes, let the cyborgs sing
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