



Lifestyle Blues

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G
Standing on the corner looking at my shoes,
C C7 G
Wondering if the sun will go down.
G
Make a little money, have a little fun,
A7 D7
Friends coming round.
G G7
Gourmet food pantry, cheeses in the fridge,
C A7
Cellar aging my fine wines.
G B7 C A7
Selecting the best for my personal space;
C D7 G
Entertaining myself to death.

CHOURS

G
You might have the Life Style blues;
C C7 G
Utopia built from the items that I choose.
G B7
Style consumes every dollar that I earn.
C A7
Can't keep up with the rate of burn.
G B7 C A7
I really care for my Life Style.
C D7 G
It doesn't care about me.

G
Dawn breaks, the radio's already on,
C C7 G
Television joins the wall of sound.
G
Got one playing in every room with,
A7 D7
Beautiful people all talking 'round.
G G7
I'm flattered by their concern;
C A7
Sharing secrets I'd be crazy to spurn;
G B7 C A7
Live forever on exotic herbs;
C D7 G
Improving myself to death.

CHORUS

G
We used to laugh at old Aristotle in school,
C C7 G
Whose thinking led him to play the fool.
G
Thought the earth the center of the universe;
A7 D7
Now I have to I wonder if the tables are turned.
G G7
Grazing the daily smorgasbord,
C A7
Here at the epicenter of my world.
G B7 C A7
He may well be laughing at me,
C D7 G
Entertaining myself to death.

CHORUS

The God Created Lifestyle

God asserts in Biblical Scripture that He creates each of for a purpose and it is His decision as to is the where and when each person is born. He gives each of us gifts so that we can contribute positively to our family and neighbor's welfare. Our purpose, and the the purpose of our live is to love Him with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Thus, He is the author and creator of our lifestyle.

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Psalms 23:1-2 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside quiet waters.

John 15:5 [*Jesus said*], "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

Isaiah 41:13 For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I am the one who helps you."

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The Secular Progressive Constructed Lifestyle

Typically reflects an individual's attitudes, way of life, values, or world view. Therefore, a lifestyle is a means of forging a sense of self and to create cultural symbols that resonate with personal identity. Not all aspects of a lifestyle are voluntary. Surrounding social and technical systems can constrain the lifestyle choices available to the individual and the symbols she / he is able to project to others and the self.

Some commentators argue that, in modernity, the cornerstone of lifestyle construction is consumption behavior, which offers the possibility to create and further individualize the self with different products or services that signal different ways of life.

A life where one's moral imagination is materially channeled such that everything that is not me is there to be manipulated by me, yields a prolonged adolescents with Niceness the only value.

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