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What Changed?!

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Suddenly, you've turned into a new person.
You've stopped wearing colourful clothes.
You no longer laugh out loud at your own stupid jokes.
Every eve, the noisy birds wait for you to play
the 'who'll-make-more-sound' game with you,
but you don't go.
Beggars near the church ask for you
to every single man who comes to pray,
they say they miss you.
Now, you don't wish happy morning
to your 'dead buddies' at the cemetery.
Summer rains long for your soft touch,
they don't feel like coming.
You've turned thin and pale,
Lost all your charm.

Dear, what changed?
Is it the inside or the outside?
People say mean things about you.
They say you are not like them.
You don't eat, walk, or obey like them.
You don't think or breathe like the rest.
You imagined a world for you.
You loved and lived 'beyond their borders'.
They loathed you for choosing.

You couldn't take more, your spirits choked to death.
Then they chanted unitedly, 'being different is a sin'.