

Ripple — The Grateful Dead (Robert Hunter)
1970

D G
If my words did glow with the gold of sunshine
And my tunes were played
D
On the harp unstrung
Would you hear my voice
G
Come through the music
D A G D
Would-you hold it near as it were your own?

D G
It's a hand-me-down, the thoughts are broken
D
Perhaps they're better left unsung
G
I don't know, don't really care
D A G D
Let there be songs to fill the air

==== Chorus

Em A
Ripple in still water
D G
When there is no pebble tossed
E7 A
Nor wind to blow
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D G
Reach out your hand if your cup be empty
D
If your cup is full may it be again
G
Let-it be known there is a fountain
D A G D
That was not made by the hands of men

D G
There is a road, no simple highway
D
Between the dawn and the dark of night
G
And if you go no one may follow
D A G D
That path is for your steps alone

CHORUS

D G
You who choose to lead must follow
D
But if you fall you fall alone
G
If you should stand then who's to guide you?
D A G D
If I knew the way I would take you home

D G
Lat da dat da, Lah da-ah da da, da
D
La da da, la da, da da da-ah, da da
G
Lat da dat da, Lah da-ah da da, da
D A G D
La da da da, Lah da da da da

