

# Alley Flowers

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Shinin' in the park with a bioluminescence  
Down these city streets I see you comin'  
From afar and I know

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Nobody sings like Mary Sue Bell  
Nobody prays like Willie Mac Tell  
Nobody walks a mile in my stolen shoes like I do

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I still miss my lonesome lover  
And I can't find no single other  
To take his empty place  
In my heart of hearts, I told him

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The ghost of Shakespeare's on the street  
Corduroy hat layin' at his feet  
Howlin' in the harp  
These dirty city blues fallin' hard

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Zora Neale Hurston told her story  
And they kicked her out of New York city  
Just like Jesus Christ in Gallilee, like I said

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