America, Watching The Time Go By

I was a child in the '60s
So unsure of my direction
I would follow where my friends and family would lead
I was strengthened
When I first heard the music
Sparked by inspiration
I was scarred by the pain
Of constant departures
I was wounded severely
At an early age
But my hopes hung high
On the thought of the future
I was happy to watch

The time go by
Eye to eye
Watching the time go by
Watching the time go by
Day for night
Watching the time go by

And then the world changed
There was hope in the distance
Til it raced up around us
And proceeded to shine
Like the moonlight
Full of reckless abandon
We would reach for the stars
'Cause there was room at the top
And food on the table
We were doing quite well
At such an early stage
There was no need to stop
Nor were we able
And no one could see

The time go by
Eye to eye
Watching the time go by
Watching the time go by
Day for night
Watching the time go by

There are moments I regret more than the rest There are days I can't recall at all Looking back now, there's not much that I would change I am happy to watch

The time go by
Eye to eye
Watching the time go by
Watching the time go by
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Watching the time go by

Watching the time go by Day for night
Watching the time go by Watching the time go by Why, oh why
Watching the time go by