Patti Smith, Trespasses

(Smith/Daugherty)

Life is designed With unfinished lines That another sings Each story unfolds Like it was gold Upon a ragged wing

The bold and the fair Suffer their share He whispered to his kin All of my debts Left with regrets I'm sorry for everything

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And she pinned back her hair Shouldered with care The burdens that were his Mending the coat That hung on the post In heart remembering

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And her time was to come Called to her son This your song to sing All of our debts Wove with regrets Upon a golden string And he found the old coat Hung on a post Like a ragged wing And took as his own The sewn and unsown Joyfully whistling