



# God's Plan for Me

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A little girl grown past her years  
Fighting to hold back her tears  
Watching over brothers dear  
Poison drinks cause hurt severe  
Mom just can't put that drink away  
So consequently we can't stay  
We're split apart and gone astray  
Blind in the dark, our fate at bay  
In, out, in, out of care, bounced around  
Wishing to be homeward bound  
Soon, in the poison, Mom drowned  
The drink sent Mom to the ground  
Didn't know what God had planned  
Couldn't see or understand  
He took away, only to expand  
I soon saw the picture grand  
New Dad, new Mama, Big Brother, too  
Our small family soon enough grew  
With everything, we have come through  
Sticking together, with God, as our Glue  
Was adopted at 16 as their own  
While love healed deep down to the bone  
All doubt was taken and was thrown  
Into the wondrous seas unknown  
Fulfilling my dreams, graduated high school  
Went on to college for some more tools  
Yet due to others mistakes so cruel  
I temporarily put down that jewel  
Bumped into my Jr. High sweetheart  
The eve before Valentine's Day start

Catching up and sharing time apart  
Attempting to keep emotions in part  
Just can't fight mine heart's desire  
Even with the six kids prior  
Fall deeply, madly in love, on fire  
My Love's last name I do acquire  
Back in school for my business degree  
Still with my ever growing family  
Though things get rough, I'm so happy  
With God, my Love, my Kin and me.

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