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In times gone by, man killed other people
Simply because they were different.

In times gone by, man bought and sold others
Because it was profitable.

In times gone by, man discriminated against others
On the basis of their race, religion or sex.

In times gone by, man beat his children
Because they didn’t listen.

In times gone by, man fought wars
That killed innocent men, women and children.

In times gone by, man believed might was right
And power was all-important.

But . . .

In my time, man learned all people are equal
Even when they are different.

In my time, man learned that it is wrong
To exploit another human being.

In my time, man learned all people have rights
And are entitled to the same opportunities.

In my time, man learned that there are
Better ways to discipline children.

In my time, man learned to stop fighting wars
And to cooperate and work out differences.

In my time, man learned the true meaning of love
And strove to make this Earth a better place.

I only wish...