

How?

How can I love myself
When there are millions who hate me?
How can I hold my head high
When there are so many things I could trip over?
How can I be strong for you
When I don't have the answers to my own issues?
How can I use the word love
Without defining what the word means to me?
How can I make a commitment to you
When I can't even commit to the outfit I'll wear today?
How can I look in the mirror and say I'm beautiful
When the majority believes I'm of the wrong race?
How do I answer the question
Am I working to make a living or just living to barely make it?
How do I show my face in public
When there are so many things I'm ashamed of?
How can I tell you my 5-year-plan
When I can't guarantee I'll live to see tomorrow?
How can I measure up
When the guidelines are considered gray areas?
How can I live a happy life
When I'm always a phone call, email, or fax away from more bad news?
How can I lay my burdens down
When there's a line of people waiting to pass theirs on to me?
How can I be what you want me to be
If I don't know what I want to be myself?
How do I decide which road to travel
When I don't know what's on the other side of either?
How do I reach the masses
When the masses aren't reaching for me?
How do I nurse these bruises
While trying to avoid being broken?
How do I conquer my fears
When all I have is a paper sword?
How do I make my point
When you're ready to reject it from the moment my lips part or my pen moves?
How do I strive for perfection
When there are no examples for me to follow?
How do I say I'm sorry
When neither one of us is sure who's wrong?
How can I accept you as you are
When there's a list of requirements before you offer me acceptance?
And how can I expect you to know the real me
When it appears I'll always be confused about who I am?