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So I've recently come across this European singer, Roesy, and I wrote an article about his 2006 release "Colour Me Colourful;" a great record and one I hope they will release stateside soon. If you have a hard time finding his stuff then you should definitely make your way to an indie record store in your area or even virgin.com, cdbaby.com, or something like that to try and locate an international copy. Apple doesn't seem to care that some of the best music I've heard in years is being made outside of the US.

World Wide Web. Humph.

Anyway, I was able to find some info on this guy from his myspace profile (note the spelling; not: Rosey - ROESY) and while Wikipedia wasn't really much help, Google did get me to this section of his webpage www.roesy.net/music.php - It looks like <http://www.roesy.net/> is under construction and should be in place in due course, but the above listed URL will get you a little more info.

As I cruised and perused the Roesy myspace profile, I was thrilled to hear more music. As I said, "Colour Me Colourful," was from 2006 so when I heard this one tune, "Sober Clown," I figured that this had to be new music; the production values were great (for myspace) the sound was mature, the lyrics, brilliant. So imagine my shock and awe when I came to find that this was an even EARLIER recorded song!

In 2004, on the record "Only Love is Real," comes this masterpiece. Beginning with a simple, ambling piano introduction, joined in time by a strong guitar strum, "Sober Clown" sounds like Sunday morning and all the rebirth and weekly catharsis inherent in that day. From his opening lines, this is obviously a song about loss, change, the end of something that was great, and the start of something uncertain.

"I'm glad you're happy now; I know you did what you had to do. It's just that my road is clear of traffic, I'm going walking; but I wish to God I was walking with you."

It is with those lines that we are taken on this journey of self-aware self-actualization. At first the lonely soul seems drowned in his own sorrows;

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