

Common Thread

Pat Humphries c. 1986, from Same Rain album

D D7 G Bm
In a many colored garden we are growing side by side

G D Asus A
We will rise all together we will rise

D D7 G Bm
With the sun & rain upon us, not a row will be denied

G A D D D D G D
We will rise all together. we will rise

G A D D D D G D
We will rise like the ocean, we will rise like the sun

G A D D D D G D
We will rise all together we will rise

D D7 G Bm
In our many colored fabrics, made from strands of common thread

G A D D D D G D
We will rise all together we will rise

We can feed our grain to cattle and the rich man will be fed
We will rise all together we will rise
Or we'll feed our grain to people so that millions will have bread
We will rise all together we will rise
We will rise like the ocean, we will rise like the sun
We will rise all together we will rise
No more will there be hunger in these strands of common thread

In the cold of fear and hatred clothed in dignity we stand
We have pieced this quilt together linking hearts with stitching hands
We will rise all together we will rise
We will rise like the ocean, we will rise like the sun
We will rise all together we will rise
We are spirits drawn together tightly by our common threads

From our children to our elders, from all nations, we will rise
May respect for our differences enhance our common ties
We will rise all together we will rise
We will rise like the ocean, we will rise like the sun
We will rise all together we will rise
We will build a global family strengthened by our common threads.