

# Pearl Jam, Present Tense

do you see the way that tree bends?  
does it inspire?  
leaning out to catch the sun's rays  
a lesson to be applied  
are you getting something out of this all encompassing trip?  
you can spend your time alone, redigesting past regrets, oh  
or you can come to terms and realize  
you're the only one who can't forgive yourself, oh  
makes much more sense to live in the present tense  
have you ideas on how this life ends?  
checked your hands and studied the lines  
have you the belief that the road ahead ascends off into the light?  
seems that needlessly it's getting harder  
to find an approach and a way to live  
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