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Isn't it amazing how people treat each other What happened to loving everyone as if they were your mother Your sister or your brother The preachers preach from their pulpits The bible and the talmud and the koran And yet in the streets and on their computers The fires of hatred they love to fan I can't stand to watch Give me an old novel from the 19th century to read Give me a garden and i'll spend my afternoon Picking weeds Watching ants scurrying Watching birds hurrying home with a little straw To build their nest Their home Give me music to dance to A salad filled with ginger and apples 10 minutes in my baby's arms A fire to keep me warm I don't turn on the tv anymore Because I can't stand to watch I keep up with the news from the highest height And deep in the night I quietly wonder how we arrived here And then I hold my darling tight In that night And breath And find love in the simplest gestures Isn't it wonderful