

# The Man Behind the Curtain

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night black turtleneck wraps  
loose blue jeans sag  
spectacles glisten from the spotlight

look out at my fans, waving, smiling  
knowing that I've touched  
each of them  
personally, profoundly  
professionally, perfectly

I go to where the puck is going to be  
I find it more fun to be a pirate  
I would trade it all for an afternoon with  
Socrates

leaving the platform is bittersweet  
having so much more to say  
but knowing  
that they'll do it all in their own way

