

# Everybody Needs a Soul

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They are running the bulls in Pamplona  
this afternoon and they have no idea  
how to do this and they are  
way too old for this  
and they want to relive their youth  
and run the bulls in Pamplona  
They want to drink like Ernest Hemingway  
and run the bulls with his crowd  
and live raw and wild  
as if they were young again  
and see life as though for the first time  
and be alive again  
running with the bulls within inches  
of their frail lives in the heat  
of the afternoon in Pamplona  
and they have no idea how they  
will do this but they will do it  
anyway because they are afraid  
of being old and weary and worn  
down by life

