TODAY IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE REST OF MY LIFE
Words & Music by P. & V. Garvey
sung by John Denver on Rhymes & Reasons (1969)

G
TODAY IS THE FIRST DAY
C
OF THE REST OF MY LIFE.
Am
I WAKE AS A CHILD
Em
TO SEE THE WORLD BEGIN.

ON MONARCH WINGS
Am       Em
AND BIRTHDAY WONDERINGS.
D
WANT TO PUT ON FACES.
Am       A7      D
WALK IN THE WET AND COLD.
G          Bm       Em
AND LOOK FORWARD TO MY GROWING OLD.
D
TO GROW IS TO CHANGE.
Em
TO CHANGE IS TO BE NEW.
Am
TO BE NEW IS TO BE YOUNG AGAIN.
C           D
I BARELY REMEMBER WHEN
Em       Am       Em
MY MEMORIES ARE STOLEN BY THE MORNING.
Em       Am       Em
BLOTTED OUT BY THE SUNS HYPNOTIC EYE.

Em       D

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