

Striving to maintain my optimism
Optimism which seems to wane
wane away like time
time I'll never get back
back to when I was young
young so that I saw goodness everywhere
Everywhere but not in everyone
Everyone who seems so important
Important to them ^{but} not now
Now I'm striving to maintain my ^{optimism}

Optimism I had + wish I could get back
back from my pocket where I keep
Keep it locked away
away so people don't poke
poke fun at me for not being jaded
Jaded so young, to have no hope
Hope that people won't let you down
Down to the depths ~~by~~ ^{the} ~~depths~~ ^{depths} of love
Love so simple, so effortless
So Effortless I'm striving to maintain
my optimism.

Optimism in a time of heroism
^{heroism}

Heroism as a selfless act
Act of kindness every day
Day to day, yes I see it
see the potential for people
People to regain the ~~plus~~ ^{plus}
+ lose the ~~minus~~ ^{minus}