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You've had a rough journey; a hellish long day;
 There's a fire in your throat and an ache in your head
 And you long to be back in your own cozy bed.
 But the world you grew up in has vanished away.
 You're weary and sick and you're frightened by change
 When something wraps 'round you like a swirl of warm air
 For there's no place as comforting, gentle, or strange
 As the mind of the Middle-Sized Bear.

For the Middle-Sized Bear is a creature most rare
 He'll feed you on honey and tea in his lair
 And you don't think you trust him, but maybe you'll dare
 Have a talk with the Middle-Sized Bear.

He's clumsy, forgetful, ill-tempered, and shy;
 There's dust on his spectacles, gray in his fur;
 Sometimes he growls when you think that he'd purr,
 But he holds you so gently and just lets you cry.
 He says he's not clever, but sometimes he's wise,
 Sometimes he's so silent you can't tell he's there
 And he quietly kisses the tears from your eyes
 As you sit with the Middle-Sized Bear.

For the Middle-Sized Bear is a creature most rare
 He'll sing you a song as he brushes your hair
 And they say it's a comfort just knowing he's there
 As you talk with the Middle-Sized Bear.

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^C There's a line in his ^F journal that ^C pierces your ^{Am} mask
^C Though he says at the time that he's probably ^G wrong;
^C But he sums up your fears in a few lines of ^{Am} song,
^{Dm} And answers a question you never would ^G ask.
^C A letter, a message, a voice on the ^{Am} phone,
^{C*} A scrap of a song coming out of thin ^{C F C G6} air.
^{C*} Perhaps it's enough to know you're not ^{F Am} alone
^F As you talk with the ^{G6sus2G G} Middle-Sized Bear.

^C For the Middle-Sized Bear is a creature most ^{Am} rare
^C He knows you don't love him, but he doesn't ^G care
^C And you think you could trust him, if only you'd ^F dare
^G Have a talk with the ^{F G C} Middle-Sized Bear.

The last refrain may want to be modified or left off altogether depending on who's singing the song, and perhaps their exact relationship to the Middle-Sized Bear. Your mileage may vary.