

## Steps

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a truckload of cares  
is removed  
with each step  
walking  
thru time, space and memory  
only knowing - things -  
when moving

walking  
thru the past  
which appears as a carousel  
of images strangely detached  
from the present

walking  
moving in this world  
and others,  
'and how r u today?'  
glints the old lady  
watering her flower-garden

neighbours nod, strangers smile  
women fix their gaze on something  
i am not aware of  
it happens so often i check  
to see if my fly is undone  
or whether that pleasant feeling  
in my groin  
is the wind blowing over my glans  
or some strange alien from  
outer-space sucking my cock

but it's the walking that is pleasant  
step by step  
10K a day, i have yet to calculate  
how many kilometres over a year

how did i arrive at this point?  
step by step  
there r no shortcuts  
i wasted many years looking  
for American shortcuts

but no safe  
avenues presented,  
America is doomed  
the expedient course is  
fraught with danger,  
signposts all point to ruin

deliberate steps open wide horizons  
presenting numerous alternatives  
and viable options

cocaine gratification  
and short-term thinking,  
destroyed the global economy  
and amputated a successful future

as the world races to its inevitable  
destiny it's the walkers  
that will build  
the new world

*[step by solid step allowed  
China to rise to superpower  
status in a few decades  
while hedonists  
and short-term thinkers  
prepare a grave for America]*

🔊 [New Beginning - Tracy Chapman](#)

<http://tinyurl.com/chr55tg>

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