

Autobiography in Five Short Chapters

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Chapter 1

I walk down the street

There is a Deep hole in the sidewalk

I Fall in

I AM lost... I AM Helpless

It **isn't** My Fault!!!

It takes Forever to find a Way OUT.

Chapter 2

I walk down the *Same* street

There is a Deep HOLE in the sidewalk

I **Pretend** I *Don't See It*

I Fall in **AGAIN**.

I can't Believe I am in the same place

But it isn't my Fault

It still takes a Long time to Get OUT.

Chapter 3

I walk down the *Same* street

There is a DEEP Hole in the sidewalk

I **SEE it is there**

I still fall in... it's a *HABIT*

MY Eyes Are Open

I know where I am

It Is MY FAULT

I Get OUT Immediately

Chapter 4

I walk down the *Same* street

There is a Deep hole in the sidewalk

I Walk Around It

Chapter 5

I walk Down another street.