

Through The Rain: Mariah Carey

When you get caught in the rain with no where to run

When you're **distraught**¹ and in pain without anyone

When you keep crying out to be saved
But nobody comes and you feel so far away
That you just can't find your way home
You can get there alone
It's okay, what you say is

I can **make it through**² the rain
I can stand up once again on my own
And I know that I'm strong enough to **mend**³
And every time I feel afraid I hold tighter to my faith
And I live one more day and I make it through the rain

And if you keep **falling down**⁴ don't you dare **give in**⁵
You will arise **safe and sound**⁶, so keep **pressing on**⁷ **steadfastly**⁸
And you'll find what you need to **prevail**⁹
What you say is

I can make it through the rain
I can stand up once again on my own
And I know that I'm strong enough to mend

And every time I feel afraid I hold tighter to my faith
And I live one more day and I make it through the rain

And when the wind blows, as shadows grow close
don't be afraid
There's nothing you can't face
And should they tell you you'll never **pull through**¹⁰
Don't hesitate, stand tall and say

I can make it through the rain
I can stand up once again on my own
And I know that I'm strong enough to mend
And every time I feel afraid I hold tighter to my faith
And I live one more day and I make it through the rain

I can make it through the rain
And I live once again
And I live one more day
And I can make it through the rain
(Yes you can)
You will make it through the rain

Lyrics video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7d3wg6R9BDg>
Official video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RRNdmkH8zrl>

Vocabulary & Phrases

1. **distraught** : so upset and worried that you cannot think clearly
2. **make it through** : to pass through a difficult situation unharmed
3. **mend** : to set right or make better; to fix something
4. **fall down** : become of a lower level, quality, value; to fail
5. **give in** : to compromise
6. **safe and sound** : out of danger and unharmed.
7. **press on** : to press forward; continue; proceed
8. **steadfastly** : firm in purpose, resolution, faith, attachment
9. **prevail** : to succeed even though the situation was difficult
10. **pull through** : to survive a dangerous or difficult situation

Discussion Questions

1. What kind of situation did the girl face?
2. Why were her parents so upset?
3. If you were the girl, what would you do?
4. If nobody supported your decision, would you still insist that your decision was correct? Why?
5. If someone you love were poor, would you still love him or her?
6. Who would you choose: your family or your lover?
7. Would you regret breaking ties with your family? Why?
8. What's the meaning of the lyrics "through the rain"?