1. **This is my island in the sun**

**Where my people have toiled since time begun**

**Though I may sail on many a sea**

**Her shores will always be home to me**

**CHORUS: Oh, island in the sun**

**Willed to me by my father's hand**

**All my days I will sing in praise**

**Of your forest, waters, your shining sand.**

**2. As morning breaks the heaven on high**

**I lift my heavy load to the sky**

**Sun comes down with a burning glow**

**Mingles my sweat with the earth below**

**CHORUS: Oh, island in the sun**

**Willed to me by my father's hand**

**All my days I will sing in praise**

**Of your forest, waters, your shining sand.**

**3. I see woman on bended knee**

**Cutting cane for her family**

**I see man at the waterside**

**Casting nets at the surging tide.**

**CHORUS: Oh, island in the sun**

**Willed to me by my father's hand**

**All my days I will sing in praise**

**Of your forest, waters, your shining sand.**

**4. I pray the day will never come**

**When I can't awake to the sound of drum**

**Never let me miss carnival**

**With calypso songs philosophical**

**CHORUS: Oh, island in the sun**

**Willed to me by my father's hand**

**All my days I will sing in praise**

**Of your forest, waters, your shining sand.**