

## **"If I Was A Father" ("Happy Father's Day")**

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If I was a father,  
then somebody would have wished me  
a "Happy Father's Day".

But, that was the point  
of character assassination;

Not the death of the body,  
the mind, or the soul -  
but, death of identities.

The death of fatherhood;  
no more need to wish a man  
"Happy Father's Day".

No more need to watch  
a little girl wish a man  
"Happy Father's Day".

No more need for the little girl  
to think about wishing  
her father was part of her life;

No need to feel bad  
when nobody wishes a father,  
"Happy Father's Day".

If I was a father,  
then I would feel bad when  
nobody at all wished me  
"Happy Father's Day".

If I was a father,  
then I might wish myself  
"Happy Father's Day" -

But, I'm not, so I don't;  
and so, that is that.

To someone (not me),  
I wish I could say  
I respect who they are -  
and, "Happy Father's Day".

But, I can't, so I won't;  
and so, that is that.

No happy "Father's Day"  
for me.