

The World is Closed written by Peter D Hehir

They said the world was closed today

So I went to have a look,

I found it with the shutters down

And the phone was off the hook.

So I stood there for a little while

But no one was around,

Then silence came and startled me

With the most alarming sound.

I asked him where the others were,

And why the streets were bare,

He whispered 'Life had ran away

While death was playing there'

'Oh no' I said 'It can't be true

For life is not afraid'

'But no one ever goes' he said

'Where death has ever played.'

I understood and walked away

As Hope was standing there

With Courage in her afterglow

And the sunlight in her hair.

She said 'Go home to those you love

This is no place to be,

For if we walk these streets today

Then no one shall be free'.

She threw her light to lead the way

And showed me where to go,

The very road that life had gone

Where the future flowers grow.

Then death showed me another way

But I didn't want to look,

So I stumbled home in time for tea

And I read another book.

It was called The World is Closed Today

And the streets we shouldn't roam,

The first line said 'Just please be safe'

And the ending - 'Stay at Home'