



Kōke'e

C C7 + C
 Upu a'e, he mana'o
 I ka wēkiu o Kōke'e
 I ka nani o ka āina
 O ka noe pō'ai'ai

Thoughts well up in me
 Of the highlands of Kōke'e
 Of the beauty of the land
 And the swirling mists

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C G7 +
 'O Kalalau he 'āina la'a
 I ka ua li'il'i
 'O Waimea ku'u lei aloha
 Never more to say goodbye

chorus:
 Kalalau, a sacred land
 In the fine, passing rains
 Waimea is my lei of love
 Never more to say goodbye

G7 Ending

C G7 + C
 E ho'i mai ana i ka hikina
 I ka lā welawela
 I ke kai hāwanawana
 I Po'ipū ma Kōloa

Returning to the east
 In the sun, clear and hot
 To the whispering seas
 At Po'ipū and Kōloa

C G7 + C
 Mele au no ka beauty
 I ka uka 'iu'iu
 I Kōke'e ua 'ike au
 I ka noe pō'ai'ai

I sing of the beauty
 In the far highlands
 At Kōke'e I have seen
 The mists that swirl about

Composed by Dennis Kamakahi in 1979 for Kōke'e, the forested heights above Waimea and Kekaha, overlooking the valleys of the Nā Pali coast.