

As the roses opened
I observed carefully
to glean insights into this amazing process
Fascinated by the ease at which the blooming occurred
no struggle or strain to confess
just allowing, gracefulness
--this is as *all* nature unfolds
which I am part of...
When I let go
of fear
it becomes crystal clear
I brought myself here to grow
And I now can say what I know
Even the rose *bud* is perfect
just the way it is
it is not less than or bad
because it is closed
actually, as it blossoms
it shows off the beauty it always had
and transforms
into what it was meant to be
for everyone to see
I am ready to show the beauty that is within me



-- Jeannene Christie