

DOWN THE MOUNTAIN

Hello baby, I see you there, flowers springing in your hair
I'm coming down the mountain, the clouds are there
so I skipped the fence and went to the Fano

hello baby, won't you die
hello baby, stay alive

I cannot focus, the sun's too bright
so I waited in the forest until night
you're the only one who keeps me in sight

GAMBLING MAN

I got my fingers crossed, my hand insight
I think I'm feeling kind of lucky
the Ace of Spades is treating me right
no one knows or cares if the winds that blow are fair
just as long as the dealers dealing money

Pass the Jack until I'm feeling fine
Cuz I got another woman riding on the line
the waitress is smoking until she's soaking with sin
and I think she forgot my last bottle of gin

well my hand has been hot, I can't nearly stop
But lately I've been feeling kind of funny
I've been dealt a whole lot of diddly squat
And my face is red, I'm running low on bread
I think I should go to bed
But I'm heading to the table instead

my luck has run out, got nothing to show
the money I made, my money's running out the door
all I got now is a wish to Dream On
and scratching my head, I'm all out of bread
finally time for bed
wish I was at the table instead

ANTHEM

get drunk sipping on the bottle like your daddy did
fireworks a blazing state militias in their bed closed
you were looking for a good time, Ed's in the toilet lid

if you're going to build Bridges
got to go To Where the River Flows

Pass it my direction so my weary eyes cant see anymore
finally found just what we're looking for

All of us are thinking about you know we ain't all free
maybe cuz I'm Different maybe cuz you're not like me
look past the dawn's day baby than you might see
you think we're living in the land of the free?

Time's right, gotta fight so everything will be alright
you were sipping on the bottle never knew it was going to bite
come on now baby, you're going to have to lend a hand
give it all you got baby maybe then you'll understand

EMPTY ROAD

I drive down an empty road at night
left there all alone, still I'm too high
got to get back, got to get back to the levy
when the strangers come, I walked right out the door

I don't have to sleep walk anymore
the child I once knew is fall into the floor
what are you staring at me for
The Strangers in the Night

my buddies are blowing up their dreams
wake up Once a Night startled by screens
end in the daytime they see the moon beams
strangers out the door

I drive down and empty road at night
my footsteps are walking on gravel
but I wish it was cobblestone
cut them Strangers In My Mind

FEELING ALRIGHT

Seems I got to have a change of scene
'Cause every night I have the strangest dreams
Imprisoned by the way it could have been
Left here on my own or so it seems
I got to leave before I start to scream
But someone's locked the door and took the key

You feelin' alright?
I'm not feelin' too good myself
Well, you feelin' alright?
I'm not feelin' too good myself

Boy you sure took me for one big ride
Even now I sit and wonder why
And when I think of you I start myself to cry out
I just can't waste my time, I must keep dry
Gotta stop believin' in all your lies
'Cause there's too much to do before I die, hey

You feelin' alright?
I'm not feelin' too good myself
You feelin' alright?
I'm not feelin' too good

Don't get too lost in all I say
Though at the time I really felt that way
But that was then, and now you know it's today
I can't get off, I guess I'm here to stay
'Til someone comes along and takes my place, yeah
With a different name, oh, and a different face

You feelin' alright?
I'm not feelin' too good myself
Yeah, not feeling too good myself
Oh, woah, I'm not, well I'm not feeling good myself
You can turn away, feeling, almighty I'm not feeling too good myself

TRAIN ROLLING

At the train station on the mainline to hell
with the dark stars above us, and the good old boys in jail
it's hard to think when you ain't dreaming boy

people Rollin there dice for a change
and the dealers got no time to deal is cards
cuz the band in the bar is working overtime

train rolling down the line, on the lonely side
I believe that it's right

strangers in the corner pedaling for cash
and the people take advice and play their games

in the getaway car ain't too far from the long-lost cash

But you know there's one thing to keep in mind
that's a long lost train will be on time
to carry you home where the sun is always Shining

I DONT KNOW MAMA

All this time, I've been lost in a world without you
turn back the clock the way it was
the clouds have all returned, the bridge is all have burned
come on now, can't you learn

I don't know mama what I should do
you give me options baby, I give them back to you
the time has come, too real, I don't know how to feel
the way you cut me down to size

you left me on a string like a crazed Muppet Show
you cut my string today
you killed me yesterday, a soul to rest away
all I can do now is play

UP HERE

Everyone I've ever known and considered a friend so true,
Was there staring through my eyes and I made sure that they knew;
That I am happy as can be as I look right down on you.
And an album plays constantly, plyaing whatever I want it to.

They danced away the night and day, they knew I'd be thrilled
"I shall be released," says it all and it played as I lay still.
Like Van Morrison said, we will sail into the mystic sometime
From way up here, the mystic's clear and you know I'm feeling fine

Feelin fine way up here, music in the air
Feelin fine in the mystic clear, lovely music everywhere

Of course you've seen better days but the best are yet to come
Take that as a grain of hope, don't turn your back and run
Music taught me that someday soon we'll be together again
In the Promised Land you cannot lose because everbody wins

So many songs, so many tales of leaving the earth too soon
This is a song reminding you that I'm standing on the moon

Observing all and grinning wide as I see you way down there
You grin too because now you know we've got music in the air

Feelin fine way up here, music in the air
Feelin fine in the mystic clear, lovely music everywhere

NICE GUYS LOSE AGAIN

He's the one who hides behind a smile
but when in fact he ain't been happy in quite a while
he's the one who listens well you cry
but no one was there when he wept and wondered why

always had a grin, there through thick and thin
always seemed to win but,
the nice guys lose again

you never knew how much he really cared
the thought of you and him made you oh so scared
and all those years you kept on passing and by
deep down inside he wished he could die

a tortured soul that could never fly
why did you say you loved him, was it just to see him try
broken bruised and battered, but he's still a friend
all he really learned was the nice guys lose again

KIND MAN

i count down the days till my land becomes free
but it's not me
and I wander through my mind till the stars in the sky
do not shine
look closely now you can see a smiling face
but it's not me
in the darkness there is light shining through Meadows in the night
Feels Alright

give it to me now
the wolf is Drawing Near
ease my mind another way
I need you to stay with me for a spell

cannot forget how she left me soaking wet
in the rain
and the pain lingers on as I sit here all alone

with my dreams
but it's not as it seems children laughing in the streams
they're looking for me
please don't leave me now the path I've tread upon
is slowly running out

The end is coming close I ran straight out of Hope
and hopped right into bed
and my feet are filled with lead and my lungs just bled instead
of working fine
the hour has come and gone she put this ring down on my palm
it shine like gold
in the end she turned away I don't know why I cannot say
she could not stay

BREAKING DOWN THE ROAD

Can you tell me where I'm going I can tell you where I've been
been down and out for so long this old world is wearing me thin
when I think about the future, the past don't fit in
spend a little time to ease my mind
so I can get up and do it again

there ain't telling how or why the hurricane hits the sky
life is looking grey at best
eating my soul nowhere left to go
I think I'll go to the show because I need you

breaking down the road
saying things from someone else
feeling that final day the day she went my way

One of these days everything that I want going to be mine
and if it ain't, that'll be alright as long as there's sunshine
I think about the times that I've wronged myself, but I'm alright
because I need you

SUNSHINE/LEMME BE YOU

Went Down to Georgia just the other day
got to pick up my family, it's been so long I've been away
then I went to the jail house to pick up my release
stepped inside a cell block 4 it was full of police
And I'm free, Sunshine Morning Light

I went to the coast to see my friends

looked up in the sky and found they were blowing in the wind
so I hit the clothesline to see if they were there
looked all around no one here
I'm free, Sunshine Morning Light

LEMME

I pick up this old 6 string instrument to my soul
always Taking Chances when I let the dice roll
it's so easy shelter glances under pressure
if you're going to have a good time, you got to pay the toll
let me be you if you want me to

HARD TO HANDLE

Baby here I am
I'm the man on the scene
I can give you what you want
But you gotta' come home with me

I have got some good old lovin'
And I got some more in store
When I get through throwin' it on
You gotta' come back for more

Boys will come along a dime by the dozen
That ain't nothing but ten cent lovin'
Pretty little thing, let me light your candle
'Cause mama I'm sure hard to handle now, yessir'am

Action speaks louder than words
And I'm a man of great experience
I know you've got another man
But I can love you better than him

Take my hand don't be afraid
I'm gonna prove every word I say
I'm advertising love for free
So you can place your ad with me

SIGNS

And the sign said "Long-haired freaky people need not apply"
So I tucked my hair up under my hat and I went in to ask him why
He said "You look like a fine upstanding young man, I think you'll do"
So I took off my hat, I said "Imagine that. Huh! Me workin' for you!"

Sign, sign, everywhere a sign
Blockin' out the scenery, breakin' my mind
Do this, don't do that, can't you read the sign?

And the sign said anybody caught trespassin' would be shot on sight
So I jumped on the fence and-a yelled at the house
"Hey! What gives you the right?"
"To put up a fence to keep me out or to keep mother nature in"
"If God was here he'd tell you to your face, man, you're some kinda sinner"

Now, hey you, mister, can't you read?
You've got to have a shirt and tie to get a seat
You can't even watch, no you can't eat
You ain't supposed to be here

The sign said you got to have a membership card to get inside

And the sign said, "Everybody welcome. Come in, kneel down and pray"
But when they passed around the plate at the end of it all
I didn't have a penny to pay
So I got me a pen and a paper and I made up my own little sign
I said, "Thank you, Lord, for thinkin' 'bout me. I'm alive and doin' fine"

BEAST OF BURDEN

I'll never be your beast of burden
My back is broad but it's a hurting
All I want is for you to make love to me

I'll never be your beast of burden
I've walked for miles my feet are hurting
All I want is for you to make love to me

Am I hard enough
Am I rough enough
Am I rich enough
I'm not too blind to see

I'll never be your beast of burden
So let's go home and draw the curtains
Music on the radio

Come on baby make sweet love to me

Am I hard enough
Am I rough enough
Am I rich enough
I'm not too blind to see

SOLO

Oh little sister
Pretty, pretty, pretty, pretty, girl
Pretty, pretty
Such a pretty, pretty, pretty girl
Come on baby please, please, please

I'll tell you you can put me out - on the street
Put me out - with no shoes on my feet
But, put me out, put me out
Put me out of misery

Yeah, all your sickness I can suck it up
Throw it all at me - I can shrug it off
There's one thing baby - that I don't understand
You keep on - telling me - I ain't your kind of man

Ain't I rough enough, oh honey
Ain't I tough enough
Ain't I rich enough in love enough
Oh please

I'll never be your beast of burden
I'll never be your beast of burden
Never, never, never, never, never, never, never be
I'll never be your beast of burden
I've walked for miles my feet are hurting
All I want is for you to make love to me
I'll never be your beast of burden
I'll never be your beast of burden
Never, never, never, never, never, never, never be

JOKER

Some people call me the space cowboy yeah
Some call me the gangster of love
Some people call me Maurice
'Cause I speak of the pompitous of love

People talk about me baby
Say I'm doin' you wrong, doin' you wrong
Well don't you worry baby, don't worry
'Cause I'm right here at home

Chorus x2
'Cause I'm a picker
I'm a grinner
I'm a lover
And I'm a sinner
Playin' my music in the sun
I'm a joker
I'm a smoker
I'm a mid-night toker
I get my lovin' on the run
Ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh

solo

You're the cutest thing that I ever did see
I really love your peaches
Want to shake your tree
Lovey dovey, lovey dovey, lovey dovey all the time
Ooh wee baby, I sure show you a good time

CHORUS x2

Big solo
Oooh ooh ooh

People keep talkin' about me baby
Say I'm doin' you wrong
Well don't you worry, don't worry, no don't worry mama
'Cause I'm right here at home
You're the cutest thing I ever did see
Really love your peaches want to shake your tree
Lovey dovey, lovey dovey, lovey dovey all the time
Come on baby now, I'll show you a good time

HEY HEY WHAT CAN I DO

Want to tell you about the girl I love
My she looks so fine
She's the only one that I been dreamin' of
Maybe someday she will be all mine
I want to tell her that I love her so
I thrill with her every touch

I need to tell her she's the only one I really love

I got a woman, want to ball all day
I got a woman, she won't be true, no
I got a woman, stay drunk all the time
I said I got a little woman and she won't be true

Sunday morning when we go down to church
See the menfolk standin' in line
I said they come to pray to the Lord
With my little girl, looks so fine
In the evening when the sun is sinkin' low
Everybody's with the one they love
I walk the town, keep a-searchin' all around
Lookin' for my street corner girl

I got a woman, want to ball all day
I got a woman, she won't be true, no no
I got a woman, stay drunk all the time
I said I got a little woman and she won't be true

In the bars, with the men who play guitars
Singin', drinkin' and rememberin' the times
My little lover does a midnight shift
She followed around all the time
I guess there's just one thing a-left for me to do
Gonna pack my bags and move on my way
'Cause I got a worried mind sharin' what I thought was mine
Gonna leave her where the guitars play

I got a woman, she won't be true, no no
I got a woman, want to ball all day, yeah, yeah
I got a woman, stay drunk all the time
I got a little woman and she won't be true
I said she won't be true

MARY JANES LAST DANCE

She grew up in an Indiana town
Had a good-lookin' mama who never was around
But she grew up tall and she grew up right
With them Indiana boys on an Indiana night

Well, she moved down here at the age of eighteen
She blew the boys away, was more than they'd seen
I was introduced and we both started groovin'
I said, "I dig you baby, but I got to keep movin' on

Keep movin' on."

Last dance with Mary Jane, one more time to kill the pain
I feel summer creepin' in and I'm tired of this town again

Well, I don't know, but I've been told
You never slow down, you never grow old
I'm tired of screwin' up, tired of going down
Tired of myself, tired of this town
Oh, my, my. Oh, hell, yes
Honey, put on that party dress
Buy me a drink, sing me a song
Take me as I come 'cause I can't stay long

Last dance with Mary Jane, one more time to kill the pain
I feel summer creepin' in and I'm tired of this town again

There's pigeons down on Market Square
She's standin' in her underwear
Lookin' down from a hotel room
Nightfall will be comin' soon
Oh, my, my. Oh, hell, yes
You got to put on that party dress
It was too cold to cry when I woke up alone
I hit my last number and walked to the road

PLUSH

And I feel that time's a wasted go
So where you going to tomorrow?
And I see that these are lies to come
Would you even care?

And I feel it
And I feel it
Where you going for tomorrow?
Where you goin' with the mask I found?
And I feel, and I feel
When the dogs begin to smell her
Will she smell alone?

And I feel, so much depends on the weather
So is it raining in your bedroom?
And I see, that these are the eyes of disarray
Would you even care?

And I feel it

And she feels it
Where you going to tomorrow?
Where you goin' with the mask I found?
And I feel, and I feel
When the dogs begin to smell her
Will she smell alone?

When the dogs do find her
Got time, time, to wait for tomorrow
To find it, to find it, to find it
When the dogs do find her
Got time, time, to wait for tomorrow
To find it, to find it, to find it

Where you going for tomorrow?
Where you goin' with the mask I found?
And I feel, and I feel
When the dogs begin to smell her
Will she smell alone?
When the dogs do find her
Got time, time, to wait for tomorrow
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To find it, to find it, to find it

UNDER THE BRIDGE

Sometimes I feel
Like I don't have a partner
Sometimes I feel
Like my only friend
Is the city I live in
The city of angels
Lonely as I am
Together we cry

I drive on her streets
'Cause she's my companion
I walk through her hills
'Cause she knows who I am
She sees my good deeds
And she kisses me windy
I never worry
Now that is a lie

I don't ever want to feel

Like I did that day
Take me to the place I love
Take me all the way
I don't ever want to feel
Like I did that day
Take me to the place I love
Take me all the way (yeah yeah)

It's hard to believe
That there's nobody out there
It's hard to believe
That I'm all alone
At least I have her love
The city she loves me
Lonely as I am
Together we cry

I don't ever want to feel
Like I did that day
Take me to the place I love
Take me all the way
I don't ever want to feel
Like I did that day
Take me to the place I love
Take me all the way (yeah yeah)

Ooh no (no no yeah yeah)
Love me I say yeah yeah
Under the bridge downtown
Is were I drew some blood
Under the bridge downtown
I could not get enough
Under the bridge downtown
Forgot about my love
Under the bridge downtown
I gave my life away (yeah yeah)
Ooh no (no no yeah yeah)
Here I stay yeah yeah

YOU DON'T KNOW HOW IT FEELS

Let me run with you tonight
I'll take you on a moonlight ride
There's someone I used to see
But she don't give a damn for me

But let me get to the point, let's roll another joint

And turn the radio loud, I'm too alone to be proud
You don't know how it feels
You don't know how it feels to be me

People come, people go
Some grow young, some grow cold
I woke up in between
A memory and a dream

My old man was born to rock
He's still tryin' to beat the clock
Think of me what you will
I've got a little space to fill

ALIVE

Son, she said
Have I got a little story for you
What you thought was your daddy
Was nothin' but a
While you were sittin'
Home alone at age thirteen
Your real daddy was dyin'
Sorry you didn't see him
But I'm glad we talked

Oh I, oh, I'm still alive
Hey, hey, I, oh, I'm still alive
Hey I, oh, I'm still alive, yeah oh

While she walks slowly
Across a young man's room
She said I'm ready, for you
I can't remember anything
To this very day
'Cept the look, the look
Oh, you know where
Now I can't see, I just stare

Is something wrong?
She said
Of course there is
You're still alive
She said
Oh do I deserve to be?
Is that the question?