Why Should the Devil Have All the Good Music

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[spoken]
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[verse 1]
I want the people to know that he saved my soul,
but I still like to listen to the radio.
They say "Rock n' roll's wrong." We'll give you one more chance.
I say "I feel so good, I gotta get up n' dance!"

[chorus 1]
I know what's right. I know what's wrong. I don't confuse it.
All I'm really trying to say is why should the devil have all the good music?
And I feel good every day,
because Jesus is the rock and he rolled my blues away.

[verse 2]
They say to cut my hair.
They're driving me insane.
I grew it out long to make room for my brain.
But sometimes people don't understand
what's a good boy doing in a rock n' roll band.

[chorus 2]
There's nothing wrong with playing blues licks,
but if you got a reason tell me to my face.
Why should the devil have all the good music?
There's nothing wrong with what I play
Jesus is the rock and he rolled my blues away.

[piano solo]

[bridge]
I ain't knocking to hymns.
Just give me a song that has a beat.
I ain't knocking to hymns.
Just give me a song to move my feet.
I don't like none of those funeral marches.
I ain't dead yet!

[verse 3]

And Jesus told the truth
and Jesus showed the way.
There's one more thing I'd like to say:
They nailed him to the cross and they laid him in the ground
but they shoulda known you can't keep a good man down.

[chorus 3]
I feel good every day. I don't wanna lose it.
All I wanna, all I wanna know
is why should the devil have all the good music?
I've been filled, I feel okay.
Jesus is the rock and he rolled my blues,
Jesus is the rock and he rolled my blues,
Jesus is the rock and he rolled my blues away!

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