Taking a Walk

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A man came to our house
I believe it was yesterday
I would have invited him in
But I didn't have a lot to sayHis anticipation
Of me opening the door
Outweighed my apprehension
As it never had before
And drove my concentration
Right through that hardwood floorI'm taking a walk
I'm going outside
I'm taking a walk
I'm just getting byThere's a girl in the White House
I don't even know her name
Her disheveled appearance
Speaks volumes of shameIt's an embarrassing situation
But a situation just the same
The way she walks on others
And never takes the blame
Upsets my constitution
Beyond its mortal frameI'm taking a walk
(Taking a walk)
I'm going outside
(Going outside)I'm watching the birds
(Taking a walk)
I'm just getting by
(Just getting by)Found a card in the pocket
Of my worn out overalls
From a girl in Cedar Rapids
Now residing in Idaho FallsI wish you could've been there
When she opened up the door
And looked me in the face
Like she never did before
I felt about as welcome
As a Wal-Mart SuperstoreI'm taking a walk
(Taking a walk)
I'm going outside
(Going outside)I'm taking a walk
(Taking a walk)
I don't need a ride

(Just getting by)I'm watching the birds
(Taking a walk)
Flying so high
(Going outside)

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