

# The Promise

## The Talley Trio

Johnny works in a factory and billy works downtown

Terry works in a rock'n'roll band

Looking for that million-dollar sound

Me I don't do nothing much,

I spend a lot of time alone

Some nights I go to the drive-in,

And some night I stay home

I followed that dream

Just like those guys do way up on the screen

Drove a chopped up challenger

Down route 9

Through the dead ends and all the bad scenes

And when the promise was broken

I cashed in a few of my dream

Well, I built that challenger by myself

But I needed money and so I sold it

I lived a secret I should've kept to myself

But I got drunk one night and I told it

All my life I fought that fight

The one that no man can never win

And every day it just gets harder

To live the dream I'm believing in

Thunder road ...

I stay up every morning until it turns light

Thunder road ...

There's something dying out on the highway tonight

Well now I won big once and I hit the coast,

Oh but somehow I paid the big cost

Inside I felt like I was carrying

The broken spirits of all the other ones who lost

When the promise is broken you go on living

But man it takes something from down in your soul

Like when the truth is spoken, it don't make no

Difference

Finally something in your heart turns cold

Yeah I followed that dream, me and some guys in the dead ends and all the

Two-bit bars

The night the promise was broken

I was drunk and far away from home,  
Sleeping with a stranger  
In the back seat of a borrowed car  
Thunder road ...  
Here's one for the lost lovers and all the fixed games  
Thunder road ...  
Here's one for the tires rushing by in the rain  
Thunder road ...  
I remember when me and billy, we'd always say  
Thunder road ...  
We were gonna take it all, and throw it all away

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