

# El Paso City

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From thirty thousand feet above  
The desert floor, I see it there below  
    A city with a legend  
    The west Texas city of El Paso  
    Where long ago, I heard a song  
    About a Texas cowboy and a girl  
    And a little place called Rosa's  
Where he used to go and watch this beauty whirl  
    I don't recall who sang the song  
    But I recall the story that I heard  
    And as I look down on the city  
    I remember each and every word  
The singer sang about a jealous cowboy  
    And the way he used a gun  
    To kill another cowboy  
Then he had to leave El Paso on the run  
    El Paso City by the Rio Grande  
    The cowboy lived and rode away  
    But love was strong, he couldn't stay  
He rode back just to die in that El Paso sand  
    El Paso City by the Rio Grande  
    I try not to let you cross my mind  
    But still I find there's such a mystery  
    In the song that I don't understand  
    My mind is down there somewhere  
As I fly above the badlands of New Mexico  
    I can't explain why I should know  
    The very trail he rode back to El Paso  
    Can it be that man can disappear  
    From life and live another time  
And does the mystery deepen 'cause you think  
    That you yourself lived in that other time  
    Somewhere in my deepest thoughts  
    Familiar scenes and memories unfold  
    These wild and unexplained emotions  
    That I've had so long but I have never told  
    Like every time I fly up through the heavens  
    And I see you there below  
    I get the feeling sometime

In another world I lived in El Paso  
El Paso City by the Rio Grande  
Could it be that I could be  
The cowboy in this mystery  
That died there in that desert sand so long ago  
El Paso City by the Rio Grande  
A voice tells me to go and see  
Another voice keeps tellin' me  
Maybe death awaits me in El Paso  
El Paso City

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