

Rocky Mountain High

John Denver

He was born in the summer of his twenty-seventh year
Coming home to a place he'd never been before
Left yesterday behind him, you might say he was born again
Might say he found a key for ev'ry door
When he first came to the mountains his life was far away
On the road and hangin' by a song
But the string's already broken and he doesn't really care
Keeps changin' fast, it don't last for long
Colorado Rocky Mountain high
I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky
The shadow from the starlight
Is softer than a lullaby
Rocky Mountain high
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He climbed cathedral mountains
Saw silver clouds below
Saw everything as far as you can see
And they say that he got crazy once
And he tried to touch the sun
And he lost a friend but kept his memory
Now, he walks in quiet solitude
The forests and the streams
Seeking grace in every step he takes
His sight has turned inside
Himself to try and understand
The serenity of a clear blue mountain lake

The Colorado Rocky Mountain high
I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky
You talk to God, listen to the casual reply
Rocky Mountain high
Rocky Mountain high
Now his life is full of wonder
But his heart still knows some fear
Of a simple thing he cannot comprehend
Why they try to tear the mountains down
To bring in a couple more
More people, more scars upon the land
And the Colorado Rocky Mountain high

I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky
He know he'd be a poorer man
If he never saw an eagle fly
Rocky Mountain high
It's the Colorado Rocky Mountain high
I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky
Friends around the campfire
Everybody's high
Rocky Mountain high
Rocky Mountain high
Rocky Mountain high
Rocky Mountain high

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