Mississippi

Bob Dylan

Every step of the way, we walk the line

Your days are numbered, so are mine

Time is piling up, we struggle and we stray

We're all boxed in, nowhere to escapeCity's just a jungle, more games to play

Trapped in the heart of it, tryin' to get away

I was raised in the country, I been working in the town

I been in trouble ever since I set my suitcase downGot nothing for you, I had nothing before

Don't even have anything for myself anymore

Sky full of fire came pouring down

Nothing you can sell me, I'll see you aroundAll my powers of expression and thoughts so sublime Could never do you justice in reason or rhyme

Only one thing I did wrong

Stayed in Mississippi a day too longWell, the devil's in the alley, mule's in the stall

Say anything you wanna, I have heard it all

I was thinking about the things that Rosie said

I was dreaming I was sleeping in Rosie's bedWalking through the leaves, falling from the trees

Feeling like a stranger nobody sees

So many things that we never will undo

I know you're sorry, I'm sorry tooSome people will offer you their hand and some won't

Last night I knew you, tonight I don't

I need something strong to distract my mind

I'm gonna look at you 'til my eyes go blindWell I got here following the southern star

I crossed that river just to be where you are

Only one thing I did wrong

Stayed in Mississippi a day too longWell my ship's been split to splinters and it's sinking fast

I'm drowning in the poison, got no future, got no past

But my heart is not weary, it's light and it's free

I've got nothing but affection for all those who sailed with meEverybody's moving, if they ain't already there

Everybody's got to move somewhere

Stick with me baby, stick with me anyhow

Things should start to get interesting right about nowMy clothes are wet, tight on my skin

Not as tight as the corner that I painted myself in

I know that fortune is waiting to be kind

So give me your hand and say you'll be mineWell, the emptiness is endless, cold as the clay

You can always come back, but you can't come back all the way

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