

If I Had Wings

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If I had wings I would fly
Over the river and into the night
And if I had wheels I would roll
Ten years of dreams tethered to my soul Well, it's 59 miles to Memphis
Ain't really that far to go
With a little money in your pocket
It'll get you right down that road But all I got are these voices
Telling me this is your life
Tobacco fields, textile mills or
Be some roughneck's wife If I had wings I would fly
Over the river and into the night
And if I had wheels I would roll
Ten years of dreams tethered to my soul
And if I had wings So I get up every morning
And fix his coffee strong
Then he stumbles into the kitchen
Acting like nothing's wrong And that hurts worse than the bruises
But what cuts deeper still
Dark and jagged in my soul
An emptiness that kills If I had wings I would fly
Over the river and into the night
And if I had wheels I would roll
Ten years of dreams tethered to my soul
And if I had wings Well, I guess they must heard it
All the way to Arkansas
Momma said call the preacher
I just called the Lord 'Cause this ain't no place for angels
No time for talk of sin
We all knew sooner or later
It was gonna be me or him If I had wings I would fly
Over the river and into the night
And if I had wheels I would roll
Ten years of dreams tethered to my soul But if I had wings

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