Out Here In The Middle

Robert Earl Keen

Broke into you car last night

Took your stereo

Now you say you don't know why

You even live there anymore

The garage man didn't see a thing

So you guess it was an inside job

You made a reservation

For a table for three

Said you had to waitSomebody must've bribed the maitre d

The boss got mad

And blamed it all on you

The food was bad

The deal fell through

Out here in the middleYou can park on the street

Step up to the counter

Nearly always get a seat

Nobody steals

Nobody cheatsWish you were here, my love

Wish you were here, my loveWe got tractor pulls and Red Man chew

Corporate relo-refugees who need love too

And we ain't seen Elvis

In a year or two

We got justification and wealth and greed

Amber waves of grain and bathtub speed

Now we even got Starbucks

What else you need

Out here in the middle

Where the center is on the right

And the ghost of William Jennings Bryan preaches every night

Savin' lonely souls

In the dashboard lightWish you were here, my love

Wish you were here, my loveOut here in the middle

Where the buffalo roam

We're puttin' up towers

For your cell phone

And we screen all evidence

With a fine-tooth combWish you were here, my love

Wish you were here, my love

Wish you were here, my love

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