

That Girl From Brownsville Texas

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I say, God, if You ain't smiling on me, then you ain't no friend of mine
It's late at night and this motel room's drunk
I been listening to the lonesome wind crying
My best friend once said, Jim, what you cling to
That's the thing that you had best forget
For ain't no rose bed ever gonna bloom in an untended field of regrets
Guess, I been busy killing time, counting
bullet holes in state line signs
I led a life of lonely drifting, trying to rise above the buzzards in my mind
You get dizzy chasing 'round the tail of what you need to leave behind
Oh, sweet Jesus, won't you help me?'Cause all I'm trying to do is plant them seeds of love
With that girl from Brownsville, Texas
Midnight radio, a crackly, white gospel station kicking out the sounds
Of some half assed revival, me, I never much cared for the feelings
You get quoting scriptures from out of the Bible
For as the crow flies, I know only one cure for a permanent tear
in your eye
You gotta crank like hell, that rope on old sorrow's well
'Til the day that the bucket comes up dry
Now, dreams are just prayers, without the put on airs
And though my history of dreams is a scandal of back assward schemes
And romantic disasters, where Lord, You dealt me more cards
Than I could handle
Still from the lips of this half hearted sinner
Comes the pledge of a half baked saint
'Cause Lord, I might finally be willing to become the religious fool
You always wanted me to be, if in return, we could just tell that girl
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