Mexican Home

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Well it got so hot, last night I swear, you couldn't hardly breathe

Heat a lightning burnt the sky like alcohol

I sat on the porch without my shoes and I watched the cars roll by

As the headlights raced to the corner of the kitchen wallWell mama dear your boy is here, far across the sea

Waiting for that sacred core that burns inside of me

And I feel a storm all wet and warm not ten miles away

Approaching my Mexican homeWell my God I cried, it's so hot inside, you could die in the living room

Take the fan from the window, prop the door back with a broom Well the cuckoo clock has died of shock and the windows feel no pane

The air's as still as the throttle on a funeral trainWell mama dear your boy is here, far across the sea

Waiting for that sacred core that burns inside of me

And I feel a storm all wet and warm not ten miles away

Approaching my Mexican homeMy father died on the porch outside on an August afternoon I sipped bourbon and cried with a friend by the light of the moon

So it's hurry, hurry, step right up, it's a matter of a life or death

Well the sun is going down and the moon is just holding its breathWell mama dear your boy is here, far across the sea

Waiting for that sacred core, that burns inside of me
And I feel a storm all wet and warm not ten miles away
Approaching my Mexican home, all approaching my Mexican home
All approaching my Mexican home

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