

# That Mountain

Billy Bob Thornton

There's a big black train  
I've been hearing all my life  
Every night, at sundown  
I hear its lonesome cry  
When I look through the screen door  
I see a rocking chair  
My mama's sitting in it  
Thinking 'bout that world out there  
She wants to go over that mountain  
To see what's on the other side  
She said, "I want to go over that mountain  
Before the day that I die"  
Well she's never set foot  
Out of this poor valley holler  
Though she talks about her dreams  
Of some other way to fly  
Eighty seven years of living  
And never had much of anything  
Is it asking too much to see  
A damned old diesel train?  
She wants to go over that mountain  
To see what's on the other side  
She said, "I want to go over that mountain  
Before the day that I die"  
Twenty years ago, today  
My daddy left this holler  
He said, "I'll be coming back  
Tomorrow night"  
I remember the sound  
Of his boot heels in the gravel  
Well, he ain't been back since  
And he never said goodbye  
She wants to go over that mountain  
To see what's on the other side  
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