

# A Month Of Sundays

Don Henley

I used to work for harvester  
I used to use my hands  
I used to make the tractors and the  
Combines that plowed and harvested this great land  
Now I see my handiwork on the block  
Everywhere I turn  
And I see the clouds cross the weathered  
Faces and I watch the harvest burn  
Quit the plant in '57  
Had some time for farmin' then  
Banks back then was lendin' money  
The banker was the farmer's friend  
I've seen dog days and dusty days  
Late spring snow and early fall sleet  
I've held the leather reins in my hands  
I've felt the soft ground under my feet  
Between the hot, dry weather and the taxes  
And the cold war it's been hard to make ends meet  
But I always kept the clothes on out backs  
I always put the shoes on our feet  
My grandson, he comes home from college  
He says, "We get the government we deserve"  
Son-in-law just shakes his head and says  
"That little punk, he never had to serve"  
And I sit here in the shadow of the suburbs  
And look out across these empty fields  
I sit here in earshot of the bypass and all  
Night I listen to the rushin' of the wheels  
Big boys, they all got computers  
Got incorporated, too  
Me, I just know how to raise things  
That was all I ever knew  
Now, it all comes down to numbers  
Now I'm glad that I have quit  
Folks these days just don't do nothin'  
Simply for the love of it  
I went into town of the fourth of July  
Watched 'em parade past The Union Jack  
Watched 'em break out the brass and beat on the drum

One step forward and two steps back  
And I saw a sign on easy street  
Said, "Be prepared to stop"  
Pray for the independent, little man  
I don't see next year's crop  
And I sit here on the back porch in the twilight  
And I hear the crickets hum  
I sit and watch the lightning in the distance  
But the showers never come  
I sit here and listen to the wind blow  
I sit here and rub my hands  
I sit here and listen to the clock strike  
And I wonder when I'll see my companion again

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