

# South Texas Girl

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As we wander around in this dangerous world  
Thank Mother Maria, there's nothing so sweet  
As the undying love of a South Texas girl

The three in the front seat, they sat on each side  
That green and white '58 [Incomprehensible]  
It would drive down farm roads past open fields  
Seeming like no big deal  
As it was happening I never felt a thing

But now looking back it seems like it was everything  
Singing with mom just so we could hear ourselves sing  
Stealin' a drink from the cold can in daddy's lap  
Protected by only a small thin brown paper sack

And the wind blew the echoes of long faded voices  
And they'd sing me a song that the old cowboys sang  
And I didn't know what the words meant or anything  
I was just singing because I was supposed to

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And with the windows wide open, it felt hot to us anyway  
We three bound together on a day just like any day  
They told me and taught me and showed me and bought me  
Whatever I wanted from the corner you told them

You said the name Corpus Christi means the body of Jesus  
Pronounce it [Incomprehensible], city folks they don't know  
It looks like a [Incomprehensible] but sounds like the lashes  
Just listen the next time you watch it, said [Incomprehensible]

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I was just singing

Now these days the car seats and open container laws  
Show sure correctness, leaves no room for Santa Claus  
Sitting right next to me she looks like that used be  
Song that they sang for me

And with the windows wide open, it feels right to us anyway  
The two bound together on a day just like any day

The wind blows the echoes of long faded voices  
And they sing us a song that the old cowboys sang  
And now that I know what the words mean and everything  
I'm still singing

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