

Ordinary Man

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Clyde woke up real early while Edna was still asleep
Got dressed and had some coffee, then found his set of keys
He pulled on his levi jacket, he headed for the door
The kitchen smelled like dinner from the night before

A rumbling exhaust pipe woke Edna from her sleep
She stumbled like a drunkard yelling Clyde you wait for me
But Clyde was going nowhere, just sitting in his truck
Staring with a poker face, like he'd run out of luck

CHORUS:

Cause any fool would've turned and run
Any fool would've walked away
Any fool would've given up
But an ordinary man, he chose to stay

Now Edna, she couldn't say too much, she'd seen that look before

She kept tapping on Clyde's window, till he opened up the door
Then she put her arms around him, she never said a word
And Clyde turned on the radio and neither of them heard

He said Edna why don't you hop in, I think I'll call in sick
There's three one ways to a dead end street, now you just take
your pick
And she pointed to the ballfield and the park where they first
kissed
And Clyde grinned like he found something that he had almost missed

CHORUS

They spent that day in freedom, they hung on for many more
Raised up quite a family, they found what love was for
And the aging never slowed them down, they leaned on faith, not
luck
Still out taking Sunday drives in Clyde's old beat up truck

You know Edna, she ain't no movie star and Clyde's a little slow
The shopping mall's replaced the park where they both used to go
But that's why they've both got each other, so they can keep their
dreams alive
The simple dreams, the common man, still stand the test of time