

Honest Work

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As long as you give me my pay You'll get your moneys worth
I'll be there 8 hours a day I won't hide and I won't shirk
I got a way with a hammer and a nail A dovetail and a tongue and groove
Put up a wall in half a day Guarantee it'll never move

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I'm gonna build a strong foundation Marble walls like Grand Central Station
Not gonna feel any more frustration Do enough work for an entire nation
Gonna get a chisel and an awl and a saw Carve my name out on your door
A block and tackle and a spirit level Take your heart of glass and put on a bevel

Got to build a strong foundation Strong enough to hold up a nation
Strong enough to put your faith in The roof won't leak and the floor won't cave in
Gonna get a lathe and a capstan press Take an old claw hammer to this mess
Gonna knock down the walls of denial Wear 'em down with a pick and a file