Wild West

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Out to the west there's a trail that leads somewhere And a call of the wild that takes some people there Through Monument Valley to California sun From New Amsterdam to the Way the West Was Won

Well, years will go by when you won't get nowhere You're cold and you're tired and you're free and you don't care

You keep pushin' on when your friends keep turning back And you keep building towns and laying railroad track And things get crazy and you have to use that gun And you wonder if this is the way the west is won

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You keep on the move or you try to settle down And there's strangers from further and further away in town And you give them some tools and they know what must be done And you know who's the boss and you know the west was won

And they say... Where I come from you can't get nowhere I'm breaking my back for some opportunity Making my fortune and I'll take it all home Tell my kids about the wild west

But there's still beauty as the flowers bloom on desert sands And there's still hope as the sun rises over the Rio Grande But it's so crowded now and nothing's simple any more And they're still knocking at your door

You hear guns in the night and you hope they're not for you 'Cause a dog eats a dog then he eats his master too In the land of the free and the not so often brave There's both love or money, now choose which you will save

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