

# Mama Mama

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Mama, mama, you know how it feels,  
love never knows a season.  
mama, tell me you understand,  
the heart always has a reason.  
Doin' ninety-five in the middle of the night on an open road,  
time for a good ol' girl like me to be bedded down.  
gotta get home before the kids find out i've been away,  
i figure i'm gonna reach town just before dawn.  
I can see the sun is gonna be comin' up real soon,  
hope the children don't wake up and wonder where i am!  
gotta get the older ones to school and play with the baby,  
she's the apple of her mother's eye, and doesn't she know it!  
Don't know how it happened one more time,  
the money's running' out and the other kids are cryin!  
somebody tell me i'm not crazy,  
doin' what i can to raise my babies.  
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Wonder if you know just how it feels to be alone,  
tryin' to raise a bunch of kids on nothin' but love and guts.  
when the day is over i'm about as wrecked as a body can be,  
i got my troubles, but again i need me some kind of lovin',  
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The doctor down in lincoln said i'd be all right,  
he said he didn't want to help me but he'd do it just this once  
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made me feel so bad i couldn't stop the tears from fallin',  
made me wish he had to pay this kind of price for his lovin'.  
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the money's runnin' out and the other kids are cryin'.  
five kids are gonna drive me crazy,  
lord, i can't have another baby.  
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