My poor broke mama told me When I was twelve years old You eat and talk much too fast There's one thing you should know Take your time my sweet baby Take your time my blue eyed son Well you may never have his money But you won't miss no rich man's fun I can never give you money honey I can never buy you clothes But the way them women been lookin' at you Someday you should have both If you take your time my sweet baby Take your time and love them slow And if you play your cards right You won't never wait no more

Well the ladies like their diamonds
They like their brand new clothes
But I was blessed with plenty of other things they love the mos
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I take my time with the ladies
I take my time and I love 'em slow
And since I turned thirteen

I can never give you money honey
I can never buy you clothes
But the way them schoolgirls look at you
Someday you should have both
If you take your time my sweet baby
Take your time and be my son
Well you might never have his money
But you won't miss his fun

Lord, I ain't never wait no more