

# Going Out Tonight

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I'm going out tonight to find myself a friend  
I need a welcome smile and the grasp of an open hand  
Gonna sit for hours in a small dark place, catch up with a long  
lost face  
And talk about how long it's really been

I'm going out tonight with perfume on my wrist  
I need to find someone to show me what I've missed  
And when I see that someone sittin' there, gonna tell your memo  
ry I don't care  
If he offers something more than just a kiss

Underneath the moon so bright, I wanna fall tonight  
Beneath a spell  
Underneath the sky so clear, I wanna find someone waiting there  
Who used to know me well

I'm going out tonight without a chaperone  
I'm gonna leave that meddling heart of mine at home  
'Cause it don't like crowds or closing time, neon blues or pick  
up lines  
It makes me spend my Friday nights alone

Underneath the moon so bright  
Underneath the sky so clear  
I'm gonna tell myself that someone I adore  
Is the one I'm with, ain't that what friends are for  
'Cause my empty arms are open wide; I'm long on spite, and shor  
t on pride  
And the old way isn't working anymore

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