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## O, Virginia

O Virginia You been trailin' off too fast You laid your dress down In that old Kentucky grass You said your baby was the prince of Persia All he did was worship you Do you remember what your daddy told you When he would hold you

And when everything was going hazy Did you ever think that this is crazy now? O but even though you missed the warning There's a mercy born on every morning

O Virginia You been on the road too long You learned the grinding Yeah but you forgot the song In your memory it's the angels falling And the men all calling you And when you answer at the door, you're there Ready to share But O Virginia, there's nothing left

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In the war between the blame and pity Your words were smooth, but your teeth were gritty, girl Cause you wouldn't lay down your defenses, And admit the way you killed your senses When everything was going hazy You did not believe that this is crazy now And, Virginia, though you missed the warning The angels wept and prayed for mourning

O Virginia That young sweet and tender girl