A Place To Stand

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Here on the inside looking at the outside Losing my memory faster than my pride Here I am baby, blind as a bat outta hell Cut me loose of that ball and chain Packed up a glad bag hopped on a train To the land of the lonely, as far as I can tell I was laughing like a fool on fire Candle burning into my hand Sitting like a bird on a wire I had to find me a place to stand Here is a man with his poison pen And his children in armor and frustrated men And women who don't know why they were sent here at all You might think think that we'd had our fill And we'd stand up and fight if we just had the will If we just had a little more time to love something We're all laughing like fools on fire Candle burning into our hands Sitting like birds on a wire I got to find me a place to stand Foolish heart don't have no rest From the moment your head leaves your mama's chest From the moment you hold the child in your hand From that moment until you find your place to stand Little bit older, years going by Squeezing that stone but my word's still dry Here I am here I am Laughing like a fool on fire Candle burning into my hand Sitting like a bird on a wire I had to find me a place to stand