

## (Don't Go Back To) Rockville

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Looking at your watch a third time  
Waiting in the station for the bus  
Going to a place that's far  
So far away and if that's not enough  
Going where nobody says hello  
They don't talk to anybody they don't know

You'll wind up in some factory  
That's full-time filth and nowhere left to go  
Walk home to an empty house  
Sit around all by yourself  
I know it might sound strange but I believe  
You'll be coming back before too long

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At night I drink myself to sleep  
And pretend I don't care that you're not here with me  
'Cause it's so much easier to handle  
All my problems if I'm too far out to sea  
But something better happen soon  
Or it's gonna be too late to bring you back

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It's not as though I really need you  
If you were here I'd only bleed you  
But everybody else in town only wants  
To bring you down and that's not how it ought to be  
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