

# King of the World

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Hello one and all  
Was it you I used to know?  
Can't you hear me call  
On this old ham radio

All I got to say  
I'm alive and feeling fine  
Should you come my way  
You can share my poison wine

No marigolds in the promised land  
There's a hole in the ground  
Where they used to grow  
Any man left on the Rio Grande  
Is the king of the world as far as I know

I won't take your bread  
I don't need no helping hand  
I can't be no savage  
I can't be no highwayman

Show me where you are  
You and I will spend this day  
Drivin' in my car  
Through the ruins of Santa Fe

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I'm reading last year's papers  
Although I don't know why  
Assassins, cons and rapers  
Might as well die

When you come around  
No more pain and no regrets  
Watch the sun go brown  
Smoking cobalt cigarettes

There's no need to hide  
Taking things the easy way  
If I stay inside  
I might live till Saturday

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