

WE BELONG TO THE SUN

By Greg Hawks

You know there's a place... Can't ever wait to see
Sweet air you can taste....It feels like heaven to me

The sky's so big and wide.... It makes you feel so small
It settles you inside.... The scale and weight of it all

The perfect pitch and tone....Of salt and harmony
Goes through my skin and bones....Dissolving into the sea

We all belong to the sun
And there's enough for everyone

Surrender all control ...You've held so tightly to
Untie your grounded soul...From all desire in you

All that has been broke...Shall be whole again
Words need not be spoke...You're bound only to the wind

We all belong to the sun
And there's enough for everyone

The ages have all gone....There's nothing left to know
The time for holding on....Is now for letting go

Where the land meets the waves....And the waves they have no end
All pain is swept away...And released into the wind

La la la la la...

WHAT GOES AROUND

By Greg Hawks

Well, you can choose the truth that fits your needs
It's not a lie if you believe it to be true
But it might come back on you

Now it's all worked out so well for you
How your story goes really depends on who you are talking to
And what they can do for you

Well, they say what goes around will come back around
And if that's true, then I know you are going down
And all the pain you caused, you'll get it to know it now
And you'll get to feel the way I do somehow

You keep an ace in the hole and a card up your sleeve
Whoever deals with you better learn to believe
You're gonna have your way
Oh, someone is going to pay

Well, you told him a tale and you told me one, too
We both bought in, but only one got you
I used to think I lost
But now he is counting the cost

Well, they say what goes around will come back around
And if that's true, then I know you are going down
And all the pain you caused, you'll get it to know it now
And you'll get to feel the way I do somehow

If what goes around...

Now the truth has a way of coming out
And you'll get yours there is no doubt
And now everyone knows and so around it goes

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And if that's true, then I know you are going down
And all the pain you caused, you'll get it to know it now
And you'll get to feel the way I do somehow

If what goes around...

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WE GOT OURS

By Greg Hawks

We make mad money because we can
Wear designer suits and golf course tans
Our gated mansions across this land
Are high above the shifting sand

Politicians ain't hard to bribe
Who's elected, we can decide
They pony up and don't ask why
'Cause there's not much that we can't buy

We sell time bombs wrapped up in bows
And clean your clock before they explode
Sold down the river before you know
We'll come out smelling like a rose

We make our bets as we rig the game
So flush your money right down our drain
Our pockets are deep so make it rain
We feed on suckers, simple and plain

They're too lazy to even care
Enough to fight for their own share
So trickle down enough scrap and bone
Keep their noses to the grindstone

Keep the government out of the way
And every dog can have its day
Let them starve if they can't eat
And sweep their skeletons off the street

In wealth we trust, our freedom ring
We won't stop till we own everything
We create the jobs for the little man
Let his sweat wash his dirty hands

Masters of the sleight of hand
You can't catch a good flim-flam man
Above the law, can't go to jail
Because we are too big to fail

Now boom or bust, we'll speculate
Don't even try to regulate
You only have yourselves to thank
And we're still laughing all the way to the bank

We earned our place and you could, too
If you would work like we had to
Now buckle down if you want more
We got ours, now you get yours

Say, buckle down, you want more
We got ours, now you get yours

YOU'RE NOT ALONE

By Greg Hawks

A torchlight in the depths of darkness struggles to remain
And the valley's full of vipers feeding on your pain
The siren songs of fallen angels prey upon your soul
Burning rain, like blood it stains their hearts as black as coal

Locusts swarm and pop against the jarring windowpanes
Jackals chase and drag you back into the flames
Above your silent cries, the crows are whispering your name
You ache to feel the sweet relief coursing through your veins
Fly above the rain into the astral plane

You're not alone
You're not on your own
You're not too far gone
You are not alone

A waterfall awaits you just beyond the burning sun
For all your life you've flown to it as fast as you can run
Through the wall of rushing water, you begin to fall
Off a cliff you're tumbling to the bottom of it all

But it's the only thing that quiets down the voices in your head
They tell you there's no use, you've joined the living dead
You wonder where there is a place where you fit in
You're not welcome where you're going, can't go back to where you've
been
So take another spin into the starry wind

Oh, the light for which you yearn is there if you will turn
Not every bridge is burned, someday you'll learn
You are not alone, you're not on your own
You're not too far gone, you are not alone

LIFE AND LOVE

By Greg Hawks

Well, here's to life and love and here's to letting go
Here's to living again the only way I know
And here's to never looking back again, oh no

I got a different walk and a brand new pair of shoes
Well, them old things, they don't fit the way they used to do
Well, it's Friday night, and I got nothing left to lose

But now as days go by, it's getting harder to wonder why

I met a country girl in a dream I had last night
Well, she smiled at me and said everything's going to be alright
By the time I left, I was higher than a kite

Well, I ain't gonna fight the things I know I crave
I'm gonna watch real close every single word I have to say
'Cause when it all comes down, it's only you yourself can save

But now as days go by, it's getting harder to wonder why

I'm going down to the store, I'm gonna take a little ride
I want to try a few roads I don't think I've ever tried
You took me down to the bottom, baby, it's good on the other side

But now as days go by, it's getting harder to wonder why

Yeah, so here's to life and love and here's to letting go
Here's to living again the only way I know

NOTHING UNDER THE SUN

By Greg Hawks

Nothing under the sun
Will escape its time to pass away
The love I give to you is here to stay

Well, it can all be lost
And in a second, tossed and washed away
And then the lights go out for days

The only world I know
In a gust of wind can blow away
And I won't ever be the same

If I could do it all over again
So many things I'd say
I had a chance but now it is too late

In the blink of an eye
From a flashing sky can come a rain
That can take it all away

Now storms will come and go
But the love you know and hold within
Is what remains in the end

But no one else will open that door
That holds the power in me
Let go of this world and set it free

As one river flows into the sea
Another's coming through
Well, it can run this way through me and you

Nothing under the sun
Will escape its time to pass away
The love I give to you is here to stay

WIDE OPEN ROAD

By Greg Hawks

Well, the day's finally broke as the night's fading notes
Drift away with the cool morning breeze
And the shadows move out with the lingering doubt
As the leaves start to fall from the trees

Sweet is the sound of the air blowing 'round
With the windows rolled down on this wide open road
The soft singing sound of my wheels bearing down
As I'm leaving this town, letting go

It's been a long climb but at least now I find
That I'm far from where I used to be
And I don't have to lie when I look in the eye
Of the man in the mirror I see

The lines on my face disappear like the trace
Of the space you once held in my mind
And these scars, they will fade as I'm shedding the weight
Of this place that I'm leaving behind

So sweet is the sound of the air blowing 'round
With the windows rolled down on this wide open road
The soft singing sound of my wheels bearing down
As I'm leaving this town, letting go

Well, the last things you said made me wish I was dead
And it messed with my head for a while
Now it's all sorted out and what I found left no doubt
That this day was sure to arrive

So sweet is the sound of the air blowing 'round
With the windows rolled down on this wide open road
The soft singing sound of my wheels bearing down
As I'm leaving this town, letting go

SMILING JACK

By Greg Hawks

Well, he's a man of the people, everybody's friend
They all love him 'cause he's just like them
Well, he's a real glad-hander when he works the room
The grown men fawn and the women swoon

He's a big boss man, he lives for the stage
He likes to hang with the young girls half his age
He's a down-to-earth hero who's done you proud
Like ol' Lonesome Rhodes, he's just a face in the crowd

Well, he's a Smilin' Jack
And that's a fact
You better watch your back
Around ol' Smilin' Jack

Well, he's a king of the hill, he's gonna stay on top
And he'll cut your throat, you try to take his spot
He knows who to call to make a deal go down
He's just a good ol' boy and a man about town

Now he'll talk about himself any old time
And he'll always be a legend in his own mind
But don't be surprised when one day you find
While you weren't looking, he stole you blind

Well, he's a Smilin' Jack
And that's a fact
You better watch your back
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Well, he ain't nothing like he appears, you see
It's much more important to seem than to be
If you look behind the curtain, there's nothing there
'Cause the emperor has no clothes to wear

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ALL YOU EVER DID IS TEAR ME DOWN

By Greg Hawks

It's not taken all that long for me to feel okay
Since you closed that door and calmly walked away
And I'm realizing more with every passing day
Just how much I lost myself along the way

When you first left, I didn't know what to believe
I couldn't help but wonder if you were ever in love with me
Or someone you thought that you could make me be
And in the end, that was the truth that set me free

'Cause all you ever did was tear me down
Till there was nothing left of me to be found
Still finding bits and pieces on the ground
'Cause all you ever did was tear me down

'Cause all you ever did was tear me down
But it's good to be myself again on solid ground
Sometimes I even think that I should thank you now
'Cause all you ever did was tear me down

DOWN IN MY BONES

By Greg Hawks

You been on my mind all day long
Since you left this morning at the crack of dawn
Your smell still lingers in these rooms
Won't you come back, baby, hurry soon

It's too cold outdoors this time of year
Why don't you bring your heat back up in here
I see a flame still flickers in the stove
Want to light you up till you glow

I want you so deep down in my bones
I want to take you higher than you've ever gone

My mind's ablaze and I can't think
I'm a thirsty man that needs a drink
From your sweet cup, my one desire
You make me want to work, set you on fire

I want you so deep down in my bones
I want to take you higher than you've ever gone
Than you've ever gone

Your high-tone skin, white as snow
I had a taste and I want some more
When you first wake up, my favorite time
Just to look at you, you never looked more fine

I want you so deep down in my bones
I want to take you higher than you've ever gone
Than you've ever gone

IT'LL BE ALRIGHT

By Greg Hawks

Well, the rain is pouring down
The roof is leaking once again
The sorry man who fixed it
Took your money, then he ran

Now there's nothing in the bank
And the cupboard's looking bare
Everything is broken
And nobody seems to care

It'll be alright, baby
It'll be alright, you'll see
It'll be alright, baby
You know you can count on me

Well, the car won't start this morning
The tank is empty once again
Your boss, he disrespects you
Then he tries to be your friend

Now you work so hard to stay ahead
And there's still no guarantee
You're doing everything you can
But no one seems to see

It'll be alright, baby
It'll be alright, you'll see
It'll be alright, baby
You know you can count on me

Now the bills keep piling up
And to our eyeballs we're in debt
The kitchen sink is clogging up
And the floor is soaking wet

Now the price of everything's so high
It makes you a nervous wreck
But I'll always be by your side
On that you sure can bet

It'll be alright, baby
It'll be alright, you'll see
It'll be alright, baby
You know you can count on me

SOFT PLACE TO FALL

By Greg Hawks

The hours have flown to the past
Too long since we have crossed paths
Now put away the things that don't last
'Cause time here with you is going too fast

And I can be your mountainside
You can be my river wide
No more goodbyes, it's too soon to part
And I trust in you with all of my heart

And it's time to rest your mind
Come to me; leave it all behind
You've shown me reason for it all
Now you've given me a soft place to fall

Inside your smiling eyes
Is a dream that I can't deny
It pulls like the warm summer tide
It brings peace of mind that's so hard to find

To feel the touch of your skin
Well, it's the sweetest medicine
My blood you bleed and your breath I breathe
Why, it's no wonder it's all we need

And it's time to rest your mind
Come to me; leave it all behind
You've shown me reason for it all
Now you've given me a soft place to fall

HOLDING CELL

By Greg Hawks

In a holding cell I sit and wait
For what I've got myself into
And the jury's out to deliberate
How much time that I must do

I lost my old man in Desert Storm
Back in 1991
Just a month before the day I was born
To be his only son

Well, I've been told that we act just alike
I bet if he was here right now
He'd understand what I did that night
There's certain things a man can't allow

But I can't say I regret what I've done
As I sit here in shackles and chains
Holding onto the hope they are free from the pain
And what I did would not be in vain

My mama raised us on her own
And she did the best she could
When it came to the ways of right and wrong
She made sure we understood

After years alone, she met this man
Made her smile and gave her a helping hand
But it all changed when he moved in
And things got worse when she married him

He'd disappear, be gone for days
Come home flat broke in a drunken rage
And I'd hear screams and shouts and slamming doors
Till I couldn't take it anymore

But I can't say I regret what I've done
As I sit here in shackles and chains
I'm holding on to the hope they are free from the pain
That what I did would not be in vain

Well, my big sister's name was Mary Lee
And she tried to keep him away from me
Because she knew one day that I would see
The kind of sorry man that he could be

Well, the way he looked at Mary Lee
Made me so mad I could not see
Now that night seems like an awful blur
When I found him having his way with her

With a two-by-four and a hunting knife
I knocked him out and I took his life
And I been told that most agree
They'd have done the same if they were me

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I'm holding on to the hope they are free from the pain
That what I did would not be in vain

I DID WHAT I HAD TO DO BUT NOW I MUST PAY FOR THE CRIME

IT WILL BE LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE OR FOR ME THE END OF THE LINE

JOHNNY HOLT GAVE US A HAND

BEFORE WE KNEW WHAT HE HAD PLANNED

IS LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE OR THE END OF THE LINE

I DID WHAT I HAD TO DO

RIVER'S EDGE

By Greg Hawks

Come back, my boy, wherever you may be
I still hear your sweet voice calling through the trees
Then I'm bound to go and get down on my knees
On the edge of that river that took you from me

You minded not my warning and wandered off alone
That cruel and fateful day they told me you was gone
The lawman he came and asked for me by name
They pulled me off the job and sent me on my way

The night before, a hard rain poured down
That river rose and made an angry sound
In the hot August sun, before your chores were done
To cool your body down to that river you did run

Someone heard your cries and come to your rescue
By the time he arrived, there was no sign of you
They went and called for help but then it was too late
The dam upstream had broke and the currents were too great

They searched for days, my boy they never found
That river that he loved is now his burying ground
I'll never sleep no more for the grief I cannot bear
Down on that river's edge, I'll say my final prayer

Come back, my boy, wherever you may be
I still hear your sweet voice calling through the trees
Then I'm bound to go and get down on my knees
On the edge of that river that took you from me

I dove down to the bottom where he was never found
That river that he loved is now my burying ground