I wanna go home, I wanna go home Oh Lord, I wanna go home.

Last night I went to sleep in Detroit City

And I dreamed about the cottonfields and home

I dreamed about my mother dear old daddy sister and brother

And I dreamed about the sweetheart who's waited for so long.

I wanna go home, I wanna go home Oh Lord, I wanna go home.

The homefolks think I'm big in Detroit City From the letters that I write they think I'm fine By day I make the cars by night I make the bars If only they could read between the lines.

I wanna go home, I wanna go home Oh Lord, I wanna go home.

You know I rode the freight train up north to Detroit City
And after all these years I find I've just been wastin' my time
I think I'm just gonna take my foolish pride
And put on a Southbound freight and ride.
Back to the loved ones who waited for so long

I wanna go home, I wanna go home, Oh Lord, I wanna go home.

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