Workin' At The Carwash Blues

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Well, I had just got out from the county prison

Doin' ninety days for non-support.

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Tried to find me an executive position, but no matter how smooth I talked,

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They wouldn't listen to the fact that I was a genius.

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The man say, "We got all that we can use."

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Now, I got them steadily depressin', low-down, mind-messin',

Working at the car wash blues.

Well, I should be sittin' in an air-conditioned office in a swivel chair.

Talkin' some trash to the secretaries, sayin',

"Hey, now, mama, come on over here."

Instead, I'm stuck here rubbin' these fenders with a rag

And walkin' home in soggy old shoes.

With them steadily depressin', low-down, mind-messin',

Working at the car wash blues.

You know a man of my ability, he should be smokin' on a big cigar.

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But 'til I get myself straight I guess I'll just have to wait

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In my rubber suit, rubbin' these cars.

Well, all I can do is a shake my head, you might not believe that it's true.

For workin' at this end of Niagara Falls is an undiscovered Howard Hughes.

So, baby, don't expect to see me

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