

## **Billy Bob Thornton**

### **"Island Avenue"**

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Tonight I walk these city streets alone  
Kicking empty beer cans mumbling in a monotone  
And whatever madness the sidewalk show presents  
But I've got no time, I've got no desire for painted girls  
for rent  
Or uptown chicks in Daddy's cars, ragtops down  
shooting for the stars  
It's me and it's them and the night's been ripped in two

I couldn't sleep, it's too late for me to call  
If I stayed home I'd punch more holes in my apartment  
wall  
I drove downtown and tried to come alive  
Instead I'm drinking this morning's coffee in this all  
night dive  
And I'll be here for a little while  
Think of all the numbers that I could dial tonight  
And God knows I've got more than a few

(Chorus)

But I don't want nobody, don't need nobody, I want you  
I don't want nobody, don't need nobody, I want you  
I don't want nobody, don't need nobody, I want you

You know it's not long until I'm gonna leave this circus  
far behind  
And drive the night straight through, to Island Avenue

You know I love to walk these streets alone  
I thought all I ever wanted was to be out here on my  
own  
But yes I'm fascinated by your ways  
And yes I must admit that you have set me all ablaze  
Crazy promises that no man could keep  
As I slam the door of my battered heap  
As I hear the engine start I take my cue

'Cause I don't want nobody, don't need nobody, I want  
you  
I don't want nobody, don't need nobody, I want you  
I don't want nobody, don't need nobody, I want you

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