

Hank Williams Sr.**"I've Been Down That Road Before"**

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Now friend if you'll just listen to me
You'll get some good hard earned advice
I don't aim to meddle in your business
Just tryin' to save you an awful price.

Now you see these teeth I ain't got
And these knots on my bald head
I'll guarantee you boys I didn't get them
There just lyin' at home in the bed.

Now take the smart alec in any town
Of him folks want no part
He acts like his head was only made
Just to hold his ears apart.

Now he might act like what I'm 'bout to say
And my words may make him sore
But I'm just tryin' to be thankful
'Cause I've been down that road before.

To bully folks and play mean tricks
Was once my pride and joy
Till one day I was toted home
And mama didn't know her little boy.

My head was swelled up so doggone big
I couldn't get it through my front door
Now I ain't just talkin' to hear myself
'Cause I've been down that road before.

A little fellow 'bout my size
Got tired of being pushed about
So he went to work and when he got thru
He'd knocked every one of my teeth out.

One time too many I'd rubbed him wrong
And he evened up the score
Now that's what happens when you get too big for your
britches
And I've been down that road before.

Now when you get to thinkin' you're really smart
There's always somebody smarter than you
And no matter how much you boast and brag
You can still learn a thing or two.

Go get you some treatments just like I've had
And you won't hanker for more
I really learned the meaning of living and loving
I've been down that road before.

Now the man that walks this rocky road
Usually gets just what he deserves
'Cause he's just a helpless servant
To a master that he serves.

Now I've learned to slow my temper down
And not to pick no scraps no more
Boys it's a lot easier on the head and eyes
I've been down that road before...

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