

Indigo Girls "Everybody's Waiting"

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"Everybody's Waiting" is an Amy Ray song that originally appeared as the B-side of the 1985 "Crazy Game" single. (some people think it's the A-side, because it's printed first on the lyric sheet on the sleeve, but if you check the labels and matrix numbers on the vinyl itself, "Crazy Game" is definitely the A-side.) By the way, the same exact studio version appears on "Blue Food." I personally think that this may just be Amy's blackest song ever... In this song, Amy sings the main vocal part, and Emily sings the role of the mother, indicated here by indentation and quotes.

Everybody's Waiting (For Someone to Come Home).
Through the wind and the rain I hear my mother's cry
She says:

"I know my baby's out there
I just couldn't bear t
o ask her why
From my womb into the world
Lord, I wish the child would call
You know I'm needing some company
She makes my life so full."
Take my advice: go ahead and live your own life
Everybody's waiting for someone to come home.
Like the fire waits for the sand

This world is burning with the tension of human hands
Waiting to be cleansed, waiting for their ace of spades
They say:

"I sure hope he's coming
'Cause I feel like I've just been saved."
Take my advice: go ahead and live while you're alive
Everybody's waiting for someone to come home.
"Come to me and cleanse my soul..."
I'm free, I'm free...
"Only with you am I whole..."
Can't you see that I am me???

"I'll be waiting by the window..."
I'll be heading for the door...
I was driving down highway 85, yeah
Had to pull off the road just to hear my radio coming in
clearer
Lord, this life's so full, I said, why do we ask for more?
While we're waiting for the man to come
We forgot what he's coming for
Take my advice: go ahead and live while you're alive
Everybody's waiting for someone to come home...
"I'll be waiting by the window..."
Everybody's waiting for someone to come home...
"I'll be waiting by the window..."
Everybody's waiting for someone to come home...
To come home.

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