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Jackson Joe "The Old Songs"

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(words and music by Joe Jackson)

There goes another one Another happy couple on the road to emptiness I think of my father and mother Can they imagine how two people can get in this mess

But the old songs say - love's forever And the old songs never say die But a song can't keep us together How can that beautiful song be a lie

Me I blame the old songs
Filling hearts with rebellion and romance
Our book of revelations
And all we had to do was dance

Play us another one Play us the hopes and dreams of twenty years ago They're all over the bloody radio It's like they're telling us there's nowhere left to go

And the old songs say - "Be my baby"
And the old songs say - "She loves you"
All the songs we'll sing come what may be
I like those songs
But I'd like something new

Me I blame the old songs Protect us all against a change of course All our great expectations Turn to alimony and remorse

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