

John Denver "Whispering Jesse"

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This song appears on six albums, and was first released on the Higher Ground Album, and has also been released on the A Portrait and The John Denver Collection - Take Me Home, Country Roads Albums. It was rerecorded on the Love Again and A Celebration of Life Albums. A live version also appears on The Wildlife Concert Album.

I often have wandered in deep contemplation
It seems that the mind runs wild when you're
all alone
The way that it could be
The way that it should be
Things I'd do differently if I could do
them again

I've always loved spring time, the passing of
winter
The green of the new leaves and life going on
The promise of morning
The long days of summer
Warm nights of loving her beneath the bright stars

I'm just an old cowboy from high Colorado
Too old to ride anymore, too blind to see
I sleep in the city now
Away from the mountains
Away from the cabin we always called home

I dream I left there
On an old Palomino
Whispering Jesse rode right by my side
I long to hold her
To hear her soft breathing
The touch of her cool hands on my fevered brow

Whispering Jesse still rides in the mountains
Still sings in the canyons
Still lives in my heart

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