

# Judy Collins

## "Mama Mama"

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Mama, Mama, you know how it feels  
Love never knows a season  
Mama, tell me you understand  
The heart always has a reason

Doin' ninety-five in the middle of the night on an open  
road  
Time for a good ol' girl like me to be bedded down  
Gotta get home before the kids find out I've been away  
I figure I'm gonna reach town just before dawn

I can see the sun is gonna be comin' up real soon  
Hope the children don't wake up and wonder where I  
am  
Gotta get the older ones to school and play with the  
baby  
She's the apple of her mother's eye, and doesn't she  
know it

Don't know how it happened one more time  
The money's running' out and the other kids are cryin'  
Somebody tell me I'm not crazy  
Doin' what I can to raise my babies

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Wonder if you know just how it feels to be alone  
Tryin' to raise a bunch of kids on nothin' but love and  
guts  
When the day is over I'm about as wrecked as a body  
can be  
I got my troubles, but again I need me some kind of  
lovin'

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The doctor down in Lincoln said I'd be all right  
He said he didn't want to help me but he'd do it just this  
once  
Made me feel so bad I couldn't stop the tears from  
fallin'  
Made me wish he had to pay this kind of price for his  
lovin'

Don't know how it happened one more time  
The money's runnin' out and the other kids are cryin'  
Five kids are gonna drive me crazy  
Lord, I can't have another baby

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