

## Neil Young & Crazy Horse "Thrasher"

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They were hiding behind hay bales  
They were planting in the full moon  
They had given all they had  
For something new

But the light of day was on them  
They could see the thrashers coming  
And the water shone  
Like diamonds in the dew

And I was just gettin' up  
Hit the road before it's light  
Tryin' to catch an hour on the sun

When I saw those thrashers rollin' by  
Lookin' more than two lanes wide  
I was feelin' like my day had just begun

Where the eagle glides descending  
There's an ancient river bending  
Through the timeless gorge of changes  
Where a sleeplessness awaits

I searched out my companions  
who were lost in crystal canyons  
When the aimless blade of science  
Slashed the pearly gates

It was then I knew I'd had enough  
Burned my credit card for fuel  
Headed out to where  
The pavement turns to sand

With a one way ticket to the land of truth  
And my suitcase in my hand  
How I lost my friends  
I still don't understand

They had the best selection  
They were poisoned with protection  
There was nothing that they needed  
Nothing left to find

They were lost in rock formations  
Or became park bench mutations  
On the sidewalks and in the stations  
They were waiting, waiting

So I got bored and left them there  
They were just dead weight to me  
Better down the road without that load

Brings back the time  
When I was eight or nine  
I was watchin' my mamas TV  
It was that great 'Grand Canyon' rescue episode

Where the vulture glides descending  
On an asphalt highway bending  
Through libraries and museums  
Galaxies and stars

Down the windy halls of friendship  
To the rose clipped by the bull whip  
The motel of lost companions  
Waits with heated pool and bar

But me I'm not stopping there  
Got my own row left to hoe  
Just another line in the field of time

When the thrasher comes  
I'll be stuck in the sun  
Like the dinosaurs in shrines  
But I'll know the time has come to give what's mine

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