REO Speedwagon "Smilin' In The End"

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Can't really say it's been a good year I know I'll see better days Some things that shouldn't have been going on around here Have been going on anyways

I was face down in a pool of my own self-pity Gotta pick myself up and get out of this city Gotta leave before I hurt someone There's a place somewhere I'm gonna find Where I can feel safe and leave it all behind Gonna get away and have myself a little fun

'Cause you can knock me down, run me over
Back up and run me down again
You ain't the first - I've been treated worse
Guess I oughta be more careful choosing my friends
Well, you can leave me cold - I'll recover
Say nasty things about my mother
Well, you can beat me, mistreat me
But guess who'll be smilin' in the end?

Playin' in bands since I was a kid Always part of the brotherhood But a lonely, only child Only barely understood

I was told I'd never make it so many times before The best and the brightest had shown me the door But the more they tried to hold me back, the stronger I got

They said my songs were too simple, my voice was too weak

Said I was too young, too dumb, too much of a freak They thought they could write me off But there's somethin' they forgot

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I won't say I ain't had my share of good luck Good luck is fine, it just ain't enough

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