Band, The "Bessie Smith"

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(intro) c f f#dim c am d7 f c f

[c]bessie was [c/g#)more than [am]just a [d7]friend of mine [f] [g]

[c]we shared the [e]good times with the [am]bad [d7]
[f]

[c]now[c/g#]many a [am]year has [d7]passed me by
[f][g]

[c]i still re[e]call the best [am]thing i ever had [f] [g]

[c]i'm just goin' down the road t' see [f]bessie
[c]oh, see her soon [g] (riff)
[c]goin' down the road t' see [f]bessie [f#dim]smith
When i [c]get [am]there i [d7]wonder [f]what she'll do
[c] [f]

Now all the crazy things i had to try Well i tried them all and then some But if you're lucky one day you find out Where it is you're really comin' from

I'm just goin' down the road t' see bessie Oh, see her soon Goin' down the road t' see bessie smith When i get there i wonder what she'll do

Now in my day i've made some foolish moves But back then, i didn't worry 'bout a thing And now again i still wonder to myself Was it her sweet love or the way that she could sing

I'm just goin' down the road t' see bessie Oh, see her soon Goin' down the road t' see bessie smith When i get there i wonder what she'll do

There's so much time has gone right on by I didn't think one could be so wrong And then one night i was drinkin' and a-thinkin' In the bottom of the glass i could see bessie's face so strong

I'm just goin' down the road t' see bessie Oh, see her soon Goin' down the road t' see bessie smith When i get there i wonder what she'll do

When she sees me will she know what i've been through?
Will old times start to feelin' like new?
When i get there will our love still feel so true?
Yet all i have, i'll be a-bringin' it to you
Oh bessie, sing them old-time blues

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