

**Susan Ashton****"When Are You Coming Back"**

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There's a single mother working  
Trying hard to make ends meet  
She's got two boys and another on the way  
And it's a cold and crowded winter  
In a West Virginia shack  
And she cries  
Lord, Lord, when are you coming back.

Old man down by the river  
With a bottle in his hand  
It's as empty as the pockets in his clothes  
And he's drifting off to somewhere  
Walking down the railroad track  
Singin' Lord, Lord, when are you coming back.

Chorus:

Is it gonna be Monday  
Is it gonna be Tuesday, Lord  
Is it gonna be mornin', nighttime or noon  
I know it's gonna be one day  
Sooner or later, yea  
But the way it's been lately  
I hope it's gonna be soon.

It's getting loose around the edges  
But I know you're gonna take up the slack  
Lord, Lord, when are you coming back.

Chorus:

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Is it gonna be Tuesday, Lord  
Is it gonna be mornin', nighttime or noon  
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But the way it's been lately  
I hope it's gonna be soon.

I've been reading the local paper  
I've been watching the nightly news  
Yea, this ole world's just rippin' at the seams  
And with a past, dark and brooding

And a future looking black  
It's got me thinkin'  
Lord, Lord when are you coming back  
Lord, Lord when are you coming back  
Lord, Lord when are you coming back.

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