

## **Tony Joe White** **"Bare Necessities"**

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I've been laying low  
Living in the shadows  
Spending time alone  
Conversations with the wall

Hanging on  
I'm just trying to matter  
And I remain  
Trying to make some sense of it all

I've been here before I'm familiar with the pain  
But I ain't running no more there's one thing changed  
Ain't going down this time  
This time I ain't going down

Like an undertow  
I feel the promise of the nighttime  
But I've been down that road  
And my search came to an end

I hit the motherload  
Enough blues for a lifetime  
Now I'm digging deep inside  
Trying to find my way back again  
You know you've entered the danger zone  
When you look in the eyes and there's no one home  
Ain't going down this time  
This time I ain't going down

Deep in the night  
I miss a woman's touch  
The fire burns strong  
And I'm drawn to the flame

But I pay the price  
When I get caught up in the heartbeat  
And passion flows  
Unrestrained

No one left to blame I'm faced with the truth  
And it's all too plain when there's nothing left to lose  
Ain't going down this time

This time I ain't goin

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