

# Song Of The South

Big Country

When I was young you said to me  
How I would grow to find  
A world of hope and wonder  
That you would leave behind

So now I look around me  
I see where you were wrong  
The tears that flow for equal rights  
Have fallen far too long

Way down south in the township  
Way down south in the plain  
Does the sun still rise on the land of lies  
Every day in fear, every day in shame

And I was told no man was judged  
By color or by creed  
So why do some have streets of gold  
While others only need

No, you cannot tell me  
There is pride in fearing pain  
A nation born in a country torn  
I know the rightful claim

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Take away the newsreel  
And take the world to task  
One man one vote as nations quote  
Is that too much to ask

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