

# Can't Go Home Again

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Time and time again I tried to get back to my home town  
On my mind again I'm on my way back, take a look around  
The places I remember where my picture comes undone  
Such a long way back and this boy's lost track of the place where he was young.

And I'm back on the street where I used to live  
And I passed an old friend who was holding his kid  
And I swear I can almost hear mamma call my name.

And I'm back on the river where I was Huck Finn  
Just Charlie McLaughlin he always played Jim  
Now I know why they say you just can't go home again  
Yes, I know why they say you just can't go home again.

My friends and I could talk the night away about where we were going  
Laying out our lives, we had no way of ever knowing  
The plans we made keep changing and people they just do the same  
It's a long way back and we all lose track of the faces and the names.

And I stop for an ice cream at the corner drug store  
A double-deck cone ain't a dime anymore  
Have things really changed so much or is it just me?

And I asked about Tom, he ran the picture show  
And somebody said he died years ago  
Now I know why they say you just can't go home again  
Yes, I know why they say you just can't go home again.

Such a long way back and this boy's lost track  
Of the places and their names.

And I spoke to the bum as he sat on the ground  
That crazy old man he's still toasting the town  
For the first time in my life I understood.

How the wine that had taken his worries and cares  
Had also taken the love he once shared  
Then he cried as he said I just can't go home again  
Now I know why they say you just can't go home again  
Yes, I know why they say you just can't go home again.