Why Does Somebody Always Have To Die

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Mama said, "Stay away from the train yard children Don't be playin' on in the tracks Those old big devils can sneak up on ya And run you down just like that", hey, hey

Well, little brother Jonah didn't heed her warnin'
Tried to chase a fast one down
I can still hear the words my mama was cryin'
As we laid him in the ground, yeah, yeah, hey, yeah

She said, "Why does somebody always have to die? Before people listen and open up their eyes There ain't no need for hurtin' or the bloody tears we cry So why does somebody always have to die?"

Mr. White collar in an uptown high rise Finishin' a twelve hour day A double tall glass of tequila sunrise Takes a little stress away, hey, yeah, hey, yeah

Well, he came around the corner doing 87 Swerving all over the place He sent a five year old straight to Heaven And never even touched his brakes, hey, yeah, hey, yeah

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There once was a carpenter living in Nazareth Said He was the Son of God Said He came here to free the captive And bring faith to the lost, yeah, yeah, hey, yeah

Well, He tried to tell him all about life eternal But they just wouldn't believe And He said, "Father, won't you please forgive them?" As they nailed Him to the tree, hey, yeah, hey, yeah

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There ain't no need for hurtin' or the bloody tears we cry
So why does somebody, yeah why does somebody always have to die?
Always have to die

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