

## Tried and True

Montgomery Gentry

I was born in a small town in the hills of Tennessee  
Kentucky raised, just a country boy and that's all I'll ever be

My daddy ran a still house to keep us kids alive  
Just doin' what he had to do after mama died  
The same people that called him no good  
Would meet him in the back woods for a little taste  
He said I may take your money but don't put yourself above me  
Don't cut me down as you walk away

You don't know me you don't know who I am  
You don't know the pain that I've been through  
So don't judge me till you stand where I stand  
I don't need you or anyone else to approve  
Cause the blood in these veins is tried and true

I left home at sixteen with a guitar on my back  
With everything I called my own I carried in a paper sack  
Spent years of havin' nothin' and sleepin' in my car  
I'd drive all day and play all night  
In the honky tonks and bars

The same people that called me crazy  
Said I'm too lazy to amount to anything  
Are the first ones to the stage just beggin' for a little taste

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