## All The Time In The World

## **Beth Nielsen Chapman**

There's a woman in a wool suit Carrying an infant Coming through the bank doors Late for some appointment

Now she rushes to the front desk And she talks to the receptionist Who motions to the telephone Over in the waiting room

She's calling someone
But I can't see much from where I sit
I'm stuck here in this drive-through window
Waiting in this line

There goes the diaper bag
The baby's slipping on her hip
Before my car moves up an inch
They both have started crying

All the time in the world Climbs the walls, swells the doors It goes flying out the window All the time in the world...

These precious days we live through
Thrown away like tissue
I wish that I could give you all the time in the world
Dresses on a clothesline

Dancing in a heat wave
Browning in the car fumes
Blowing off the interstate
Now I'm clicking past the lightpoles

Glancing down the cornrows
Dreaming in a straight line
Waking up in circles
And did I say I've got the right to want it all

Well if it's true I want it all How could that do me any harm I'll take my curves, I'll dodge the cops I'll jump the ditches

Doing eightly miles an hour Slammin' back into your arms