Somebody asked me, why I live the blues I said the blues is all around me; I just find something I can use

And I feel it running through me, but I give it my heart and so ul

I practice while I'm singing; let the feeling take control

I'm just tryin' to tell the truth Every time I sing the blues

Might think about a woman and how she done me wrong I might think about some hard times when I was barely hanging o $\ensuremath{\text{n}}$

I might think about a brother who still can't make things be Some fallin' sisters sellin' it on the street

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I find my inspiration in tears and desperation Sad, sad stories we all know so well Along with one more story to tell

Here I am another night; another town along the way
Room full of people say they wanna hear me play
Yes there was some hard times, my luck cannot survive
It takes a whole lot of livin; to make us all come alive

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