Just a boy of seventeen

Left school to chase a dream

Hard times - the mills closed down

No one working in old steel town

So he practiced 'til his fingers bled It might be a long time - a long time coming

Joined a band to pay his dues
Playing hard the three river blues
Iron city house rocking making the scene
One way out is his rock 'n roll dream

Played all night 'til he was half dead It might be a long time . . .

{instrumental}

Still playing the same old town
Lots of new faces coming around
The years roll by and they all know
The boy's still making that big blue sound

Holding on to that dream

Even though it's a long time

It's a long time, a long time coming

Gonna be a long time, a long time coming