Back Down South

Larkin Poe

The trees down in Georgia
Grow as tall as a cross
Where Little Richard was singing
Where rock n roll learned to walk
Country blues in a bottle
Get those tubes running hot
Til the serpent starts hissing
"Y'all let me out of this box"

Streets of gold
Ain't that red dirt clay
Leave some peaches in a basket by the pearly gates
When my race is run
Hear that angel sound
May the good Lord show me mercy
Send me back down south
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Sweet Carolina
From the north to the south
Where those reapers be hot
And they put those tears in your mouth
Papa's got a new bag
He gave it to Mr. Brown
And Charlie got him a fiddle
Before the devil went down

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Way down in Macon
Put your ear to the ground
Where the Brothers are sleeping
And you can still hear the sound
Of a band that was singing
About a sky that was blue
They sang it for me
And now I'll sing it for you

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