

# I'm Free

**Merle Haggard**

Though I haven't got a penny to my name  
I've got wealth beyond compare just the same  
In my mind the greatest treasure there could be  
Just to live the way I live because I'm free.

I'm not bound to anyone that takes my time  
Or pleasures that will pray up on my mind  
And I walk the roads and do just as I please  
My life belongs to me cause I'm free.

I'm free from social ties that tend to bind me  
Or to live the life that wasn't meant for me  
Competing for the things that have no meaning  
I'm wealthy in my mind because I'm free.

The ribbons of the land that keep me a knowing  
There's always something new for me to see  
A whistle in the wind then I'll be going  
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