

Boom Town

Red Shahan

Take away all her worries now
She could go back to stripping in a boom town
She'd pay off the debt that her husband built
I doubt he'll pay it from a prison cell

What would they do?
What if they found out?
Oh Lord

Two mouths to feed and her rent ain't paid
Decisions you hope you never have to make
The Permian Basin calls her name
Paying for gas with only pocket change

And if she told her kids her secrets
How Christmas morning was everything they wanted
Would they think she's in the wrong
But how the hell do you think the lights stayed on?
What would they do?
What if they found out?
Oh Lord

Daddy's getting out real soon, she thinks
Gotta pick up and move by the end of the week
Two flat tires [?]
Only time the kids saw my mama cry

And if she told her kids her secrets
How Christmas morning was everything they wanted
Well they think she's in the wrong
But how the hell do you think the lights stayed on?
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Life ain't a peach for one and all
And how far would you go with your back to the wall?
Lessons learned, money well-spent
Two kids in college, no house payment

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