Rocky Mountain High

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He was born in the summer of his 27th year Coming home to a place he'd never been before He left yesterday behind him, you might say he was born again You might say he found a key for every door

When he first came to the mountains his life was far away On the road and hanging by a song But the string's already broken and he doesn't really care It keeps changing fast and it don't last for long

But the Colorado Rocky Mountain high I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky The shadow from the starlight is softer than a lullaby Rocky Mountain high (Colorado) Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado)

He climbed cathedral mountains, he saw silver clouds below He saw everything as far as you can see And they say that he got crazy once and he tried to touch the sun And he lost a friend but kept the memory

Now he walks in quiet solitude the forests and the streams Seeking grace in every step he takes His sight has turned inside himself to try and understand The serenity of a clear blue mountain lake

And the Colorado Rocky Mountain high I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky Talk to God and listen to the casual reply Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado) Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado)

Now his life is full of wonder but his heart still knows some fear Of a simple thing he cannot comprehend While they try to tear the mountains down to bring in a couple more More people, more scars upon the land

And the Colorado Rocky Mountain high I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky I know he'd be a poorer man if he never saw an eagle fly Rocky Mountain high

Colorado Rocky Mountain high I've seen it rainin' fire in the sky Friends around the campfire and everybody's high Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado), Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado) Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado), Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado) Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado), Rocky Mountain high (high in Colorado)