

# WHY YOU BEEN GONE SO LONG

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Ev'rytime it rains, Lawd, I run to my window,  
All I do is jus' wring my hands and moan,  
Listen to that thunder roll, now can't 'cha hear that lonesome wind blow,  
Tell me baby now, why you been gone so long.

chorus:

Tell me baby, why you been gone so long, you been gone so long now,  
Tell me baby, why you been gone so long.  
The wolf is scratchin' at my door and I can hear that lonesome wind blow,  
Tell me baby, why you been gone so long.

Someone said they thought they saw you roarin' down in Reno  
With a big oil man from San Antone.  
They tell me I'm a fool to pine for you but what do they know,  
Tell me baby, why you been gone so long.

chorus

There ain't nothin' I wanna do, Lawd, I guess I could get stoned  
and let the past paint pictures in my head.  
Kill me a fifth of Thunderbird and try to write a sad song,  
Tell me baby, why you been gone so long.

chorus