

Locked Up in Laredo

(Intro — spoken, slight pause)

Well I have been... (slight pause) locked up in Laredoooooo,
and I ain't got nowhere else to go.

Verse 1

It's just me and this pretty señorita,
but she's carved here on the wall.
Been through some bad times, boy I ain't hidin' it,
sometimes I break down and I start to bawl.
I press my forehead to the cold iron railin',
watch that Texas sunshine fall,
Lord I miss your laugh, girl, and your Sunday dress,
and the sound of your steps down our hall.

Chorus

'Cause I'm locked up in Laredo, and I ain't got nowhere to go,
just me and that señorita painted on the wall.
Been through some bad times and sometimes I start to cry,
when I look through these bars at that Texas sunshine.

Verse 2

I know you're all alone down in San Antone,
I'm callin' you on this raggedy old jail phone.

I swore that this would be the last time, baby, truth be known,
but the Federales said they were mi amigo, now I'm standin' here alone.
Thought I could make it through with my precious cargo in the back,
now the deal's gone south and I'm livin' with the facts.
Oh God, baby, I guess they just lied,
and I'm prayin' for mercy as the nights roll by.

Chorus

Yeah, I'm locked up in Laredo, and I ain't got nowhere to go,
just me and that señorita carved on the wall.
Been through some bad times and sometimes I start to cry,
when I look through these bars at that Texas sunshine.

Bridge (spoken then sung)

Don't worry, sweetie, I whisper through the wire,
keep the porch light on and don't lose the fire.
I know I done wrong, I been a ramblin' soul,
but I'm beggin' for a chance to come back home.

Chorus (full, with harmony)

Locked up in Laredo, and I ain't got nowhere to go,
it's just me and this pretty señorita on my wall.
Been through some hard nights and sometimes I start to cry,
watchin' through these bars at that Texas sunshine.

Outro (soft, fading)

Well I have been... (slight pause) locked up in Laredoooooooo,
and I ain't got nowhere else to go.

If mercy finds me, darlin', I'll be comin' home slow —
till then I'll keep lookin' at that Texas sunshine glow.