Connie Smith, The Wonders You Perform

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Oh Lord, you know that I'm not one to bother you with little thi-ings And you and I have never been too-oo close But we've always been on speakin' terms I've watched you with doin' things And tried to understand you more than most No I haven't gone to church the way I ought to But I always thought you knew in my own way I worshipped you While even your own children doubt and fail to understand The simple way you go about the things you do I've seen the doubt upon the face of loved ones As they sadly placed a wreath of flowers on a tiny grave And wondered why a child is brought into the world To only live a little while and die, you could have saved But I believe that in your eyes this little child was somethin' special And you wanted it to be with you, no doubt So with out-stretched arms you beckoned it so simple that I reckon They can't understand the way you worked it out Once I saw a young man growin' till he neared the age of knowin' Then I watched as somethin' happened to his mind No doctor could correct it, it was just as I suspected And I marvelled at your way of bein' kind They tried everything in vain and I was there when they explained it To the family, how he slipped into a trance Guess you looked into the future, watched him turn his back upon you Lovin' him so much you couldn't take the chance It took a lot of love to die, for sinners such as I And I guess that's why you've never given up on me You understood when some denied you and even when they crucified you Knowin' all these things were meant to be-ee For the stable's such a simple thing, no wonder there were few who came To see a king the night that you were born

And I'd ask one favor if I can, help me to better understand

The mystery of the wonders You perform, Amen