

# Charlie Robison, Desperate Times

Jackie went to high school  
In a little Texas town  
He finished up and spent the most of next year bummin' around  
He couldn't find a job to hold  
So on a Friday night  
He figured he could see the world and buy a 4-wheel drive  
If he'd join the army  
Cause these are desperate times

Well he came back four years later  
A little higher off the ground  
Things there hadn't changed  
And that just really got him down  
So he went off to San Antone  
An hour to the east  
And got a job workin' for the San Antone police  
Well he had a pistol now  
Cause these are desperate times

Well ol Jackie he got married  
But his ends they wouldn't meet  
His wife worked at the Texas Commerce Bank just up the street  
Jackie got an idea  
To get him outta debt  
And they could live the good life  
And drive a new Corvette  
If he'd rob the bank he said  
Cause these are desperate times

Well he had planned the whole thing  
And while his baby worked  
He came in after hours  
In a black ski mask and shirt  
She told him where the money was  
And that's just where he went  
The minute that he saw it he already had it spent  
Well it wasn't easy  
But these are desperate times

Well he drove off to Bandera  
Cause that was his hometown  
He had it in his mind just where he'd lay that money down  
He went out to his mom's house  
And Jack went up the hill  
To bury that old suitcase full of hundred dollar bills  
Well he'd let it sit a while  
Cause these are desperate times

Well the bank they called the g-men  
Cause they were insured by the Fed  
And Jill she rolled on Jack  
Cause she was in above her head  
The g-men gave Jack wind of this  
When they made his arrest  
And he asked her why she turned on the one that she loved best  
Well it wasn't easy Jack  
But these are desperate times

Yeah ain't that what you always said  
These are desperate times