

# Dolly Parton, Paradise Road

(Dolly Parton)

I grew up dirty and I grew up poor  
The wolf didn't even hang 'round our door  
Not a crumb to spare and the cupboard bare  
And I had the gift of imagination  
I could change my situation  
Anytime I choose I could always go  
Down Paradise Road

I found a kingdom deep within  
A place dream and to pretend  
And to prepare for the world out there  
A dream can dress you when you're ragged  
Fill you up when hunger's naggin'  
I warmed my soul when life was cold  
On Paradise Road

Paradise is a state of mind  
The sun shines warm and all the time  
And the rain don't flow and the wind don't blow  
On Paradise Road  
A place no one can take from me  
A place of everlasting peace  
Where dreamers go; It's never closed  
Paradise Road

Paradise is a state of mind  
Down the road of life and time  
And the friends we meet  
Make the travlin' sweet  
On Paradise Road  
Sometimes now when the world is mad  
I find that place I've always had  
Inside my soul; It's paved in gold  
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