Gary Brooker, Count Me Out

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When it's time for me to go and I hear that whistle blow I'll be waiting in line day or night Take my hand and lead me down Lay my burden on the ground Break these chains and let me stand in the light Now I know what the game's all about If that's the way you want to play - count me out

Had enough of alibis, empty promises and lies
Trying to find a better life on my own
There's no easy way I know - now the strains begin to show
Still I'm looking for a light to lead me home
Though my heart's still full of doubt There's no way I'm gonna play - so count me out

I've been too long here breaking my back Doing my best to get through I never thought I could feel this way But I need to find something new It's not the money and it's not the gold - I just want some peace of mind My life is racing like a runaway train Getting faster all the time...

Underneath a golden sky
Far away I'm gonna fly
To a place I know is there in my mind
Like a sailor home to die
With no journey left to try
Throw my spirit in the tide and lead me blind
Now I know what this game's all about
If that's the way you wanna play
Then count me out