Glen Campbell, Manhattan Kansas

Manhattan, Kansas ain't no place to have a baby When you got no man to give it his last name And her folks back in Manhattan didn't want her or her bundle So she took her child and caught an evenin' train She found a job in Denver washing dishes in a diner At least it buys her baby milk to drink He once told her she was pretty but the only ring it got her Was the ring of grease that runs around the sink Yes she lay beside him gentle 'Cause he told her that he loved her And he made her dance before the music played But at least she didn't beg him She'd rather wash her dishes It makes her feel as if her hands are clean At night she stands there thinkin' 'Bout the man back home in Kansas And how her folks just turned away the shame She stares down through the soap suds Reaches down and pulls the drain plug And watches as Manhattan drains away Yes she lay beside him gentle 'Cause he told her that he loved her And he made her dance before the music played But at least she didn't beg him She'd rather wash her dishes It makes her feel as if her hands are clean Yes it makes her feel as if her hands are clean