

John Hiatt, Fly Back Home

saw a red tailed hawk eatin' road kill

said "Man, what happened to your dignity?"

he said "Subdivisions have taken my home

and there's no more pray to eat."

i said, "Where we gonna live?"

he said "Anywhere you want to, i guess

all you creature walkin' upright 'Round here

well you've really made a mess."

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where friends and family set the tone

with the hardcore language of the truth

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an owl swooped down

as i was drivin' my pickup through the creek

he said, "i was only tryin' to scare ya

but instead you scared the hell right out of me."

with three hundred forty-Five houses

a locking differential and four-wheel drive

i guess you were livin' large there, country boy

i was just tryin' to survive

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there was a rattlesnake up on the road
i ran him over and over 'Til he died
then his ghost rose up
and curled around this fear i hold inside
he flew on off to heaven
as i sat there in my instrument of death
i had to think what i was doin'
i had to think just to draw another breath

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