

Natalie Merchant, Son Of A Preacher Man

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Billy Ray was a preacher's son
And when his daddy'd visit he'd come along
When they gathered round and started talking
That's when Billy would take me walking,
all through the backyard we'd go walking,
then he'd looked into my eyes,
lord knows to my surprise

CHORUS:

The only one who could ever reach me
Was the son of a preacher man
And the only boy who could ever teach me
Was the son of a preacher man
Yes he was, was, yes he was

Bein' good isn't always easy,
no matter hard I try,
when he started sweet talking to me,
he'd come and tell my everything is alright
he'd kiss it down and everything's alright
Can I get away again tonight ?

Chorus

Oh yes he was
How will I remember
The look within his eyes
Stealin' kisses from me on the sly
Takin' time to make time
Tellin' me that he's all mine
Learnin' from each other's knowin'
Looking to see how much we've grown

And the only one who could ever reach me
was the son of a preacher man
The only boy who could ever teach me
Was the son of a preacher man
Yes he was, he was, oh yes he was

The only boy who could ever reach me
Was the sweet-talkin' son of a preacher man