

# The Charlie Daniels Band, Indian Man

"Indian Man" from the album "Midnight Wind"

Indian Man  
They took your home  
They took your land  
Left you on the run for all of these years

Indian man  
You didn't fit the white man's plan  
So he herded you off down the Trail of Tears

But there was a time when the land was free  
When the Seminole and the Cherokee  
Stood proud  
From the Rio Grande to the Midnight Sun  
The Navajo rode and the Blackfeet drums beat loud

From the East they came  
With the Cavalry soldiers and the wagon train  
With a treaty of peace and rifle in their hands  
And then the West was won  
With the broken promise and the Gatling gun  
And nobody never even tried to understand

But the Bible got read and the church bells rung  
And they talk about peace with a forked tongue  
In vain  
While Blackfeet starved and the Cheyennes froze  
And the Sioux blood stained the coldest snows  
In shame

And the tracks went down  
On the huntin' land and the sacred ground  
Pickin' up all the drifters along the way  
And then the trains rolled in  
With the buffalo skinners and the greedy men  
And the world got a little bit smaller every day

But there was a time when the land was free  
When the Seminole and the Cherokee  
Stood tall  
Your head was up but your hopes were down  
Though your heart was on the ground  
You stood it all  
And you're a better man than I am  
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