We left home in our Odyssey

And we drove into Traverse City

Spent time with some old friends

Saw Gus singin’ and dancin’

In the morning crossed the Mackinac

Fresh water’s all we saw

Past the locks of the old Soo

Headed west on highway 2

We drove all day and into the night

Made Wisconsin before daylight

That’s when we got to the big N.D.

North Dakota to you and me

We stayed a while at T.R.N.P.

Our new favorite place to be

Prairie dogs that’ll melt your heart

And let me tell you that’s just the start

A herd of bison put our jaws on the floor

A site like nothing we’d seen before

Wild horses take your breath away

Make you proud to be in the U.S.A.

A# F

We drove for days and days on roads we’d never been on

A# C

We made it west to the mountains of Babylon

A#

To a place I thought we’d never reach

F

The Rocky Mountains jagged peaks

A# C

And oh so many things we could hardly dream of

We drove into the sun

Mind bending mountains

My son asked, “daddy, is this real?”

You can’t describe how tiny you feel

To be out walkin’ at 10,000 feet

In the freezing cold and the sun-drenched heat

Seeing marmots and goats and bears

Forgetting every single care

[chorus]

We turned around and headed east

Saw the presidents carved in the rocky peaks

Spent a few more nights in the Badlands

Kids climbing on those mountains of sand

Man I’ll never forget that trip

It can really make your mind do a flip

Forget everything you left behind

Release your soul and free your mind

[chorus]