

# Keeping the Faith

Billy Joel

If it seems like I've been lost  
In let's remember  
If you think I'm feeling older  
And missing my younger days  
Oh, then you should have known  
Me much better  
Cause my past is something that never  
Got in my way  
Oh no  
Still I would not be here now  
If I never had the hunger  
And I'm not ashamed to say  
The wild boys were my friends  
Oh  
Cause I never felt the desire  
'til their music set me on fire  
And then I was saved, yeah  
That's why I'm keeping the faith  
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah  
Keeping the faith  
We wore matador boots  
Only flagg brothers had them with the cuban heel  
Iridescent socks with the same color shirt  
And a tight pair of chinos  
Oh  
I put on my shark skin jacket  
You know the kind with the velvet collar  
And ditty-bop shades  
Oh yeah  
I took a fresh pack of luckys  
And a mint called sen-sen  
My old man's trojans  
And his old spice after shave  
Oh  
Combed my hair in a pompadour  
Like the rest of the romeos wore  
A permanent wave  
Yeah  
We were keeping the faith  
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah  
Keeping the faith You can get just so much  
From a good thing

You can linger too long  
In your dreams  
Say goodbye to the  
Oldies but goodies  
Cause the good ole days weren't  
Always good  
And tomorrow ain't as bad as it seems Learned stickball as a formal education  
Lost a lot of fights  
But it taught me how to lose o.k.  
Oh  
I heard about sex  
But not enough  
I found you could dance  
And still look tough anyway  
Oh yes I did  
I found out a man ain't just being macho  
Ate an awful lot of late night drive-in food  
Drank a lot of take-home pay  
I thought I was the duke of earl  
When I made it with a red-haired girl  
In the chevrolet  
Oh yeah  
We were keeping the faith  
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah  
Keeping the faith You know the good ole days weren't  
Always good  
And tomorrow ain't as bad as it seems Now I told you my reasons  
For the whole revival  
Now I'm going outside to have  
An ice cold beer in the shade  
Oh  
I'm going to listen to my 45's  
Ain't it wonderful to be alive  
When the rock 'n' roll plays  
Yeah  
When the memory stays  
Yeah  
I'm keeping the faith  
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah  
Keeping the faith  
I'm keeping the faith  
Yes I am

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