THE SINS OF MEMPHISTO
John Prine

Intro: C, F-C, G-C, F-C, G-C

Chorus:
FROM THE BELLS OF ST. MARY TO THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO
NOTHING CAN STOP; NOTHING CAN STOP; NOTHING CAN STOP
THE SINS - OF MEMPHISTO

SALLY USED TO PLAY WITH HER HULA HOOPS
NOW, SHE TELLS HER PROBLEMS TO THERAPY GROUPS
GRANDPA'S ON THE FRONT LAWN STARING AT A RAKE
WONDERING IF HIS MARRIAGE WAS A TERRIBLE MISTAKE
I'M SITTING ON THE FRONT STEPS DRINKING ORANGE CRUSH
WONDERING IF IT'S POSSIBLE FOR ME TO STILL BLUSH  UH HUH

OH, YEAH
G
A BOY ON A BIKE WITH CORDUROY SLACKS
F
SLEEPS IN THE RIVER BY THE RAILROAD TRACKS
G
HE WAITS FOR THE WHISTLE ON THE TRAIN TO SCREAM
F
SO HE CAN CLOSE HIS EYES AND BEGIN TO DREAM.  UH HUH

C      F C
E|---0---------|--
B|-1---1--6-5--|--
G|-------------|--
D|-------------|--
A|-------------|--
E|-------------|--

OH, YEAH
C      G C
E|---0---------|--
B|-1---1--3-1--|--
G|-------------|--
D|-------------|--
A|-------------|--
E|-------------|--

Repeat Chorus:

C      F C      G C
E|---0---------|--0-------|--
B|-1---1--6-5--|-1---1-3-1--|--
G|-------------|-----------|--
D|-------------|-----------|--
A|-------------|-----------|--
E|-------------|-----------|--

G
THE HANDS ON HIS WATCH SPIN SLOWLY AROUND
F
WITH HIS MIND ON A BUS THAT GOES ALL OVER TOWN
G
LOOKING AT THE BABIES AND THE FACTORIES
F
AND LISTENING TO THE MUSIC OF MISTER SQUEEZE
G
AS IF BY MAGIC OR REMOTE CONTROL
F
HE FINDS A PIECE OF A PUZZLE THAT HE MISSED IN HIS SOUL  UH HUH

C      F C
E|---0---------|--
B|-1---1--6-5--|--
G|-------------|--
D|-------------|--
A|-------------|--
E|-------------|--

OH, YEAH
Repeat Chorus:

**G**
ADAM AND EVE AND LUCY AND RICKY

**F**
BIT THE BIG APPLE AND GOT A LITTLE STICKY

**G**
ESMERALDA AND THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME

**F**
THEY HUMPED EACH OTHER LIKE THEY HAD NO SHAME

**G**
THEY PAUSED AS THEY POSED FOR A POLAROID PHOTO

**F**
SHE WHISPERED IN HIS EAR "EXACTLY ODO ... QUASI MODO"

Repeat Chorus:

**G**
Sally used to play with her Hula Hoops

**F**
Now, she tells her problems to therapy groups Uh Huh

Oh, YEAH

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