



## Alan Jackson "Where Were You When the World Stopped Turning?"

Where were you when the world stopped  
turnin' that September day?

Were you in the yard with your wife and chil-  
dren, or workin' on some stage in L.A.?

Did you stand there in shock at the sight of  
that black smoke, risin' against that blue sky?

Did you shout out in anger, in fear for your  
neighbor, or did you just sit down and cry?

Did you weep for the children, they lost their  
dear loved ones, pray for the ones who  
don't know?

Did you rejoice for the people who walked  
from the rubble and sob for the ones left  
below?

Did you burst out with pride for the red,  
white, and blue, and the heroes who died  
just doin' what they do?

Did you look up to heaven for some kind of  
answer and look at yourself and what really  
matters?

I'm just a singer of simple songs  
I'm not a real political man  
I watch CNN, but I'm not sure I can tell you  
The diff'rence in Iraq and Iran

But I know Jesus and I talk to God  
And I remember this from when I was young  
Faith, hope, and love are some good things  
He gave us, and the greatest is love

Where were you when the world stopped  
turnin' that September day?

Teachin' a class full of innocent children, or  
drivin' down some cold interstate?

Did you feel guilty 'cause you're a survivor?  
In a crowded room did you feel alone?

Did you call up your mother and tell her  
you love her? Did you dust off that Bible at  
home?

Did you open your eyes and hope it never  
happened? Close your eyes and not go to  
sleep?

Did you notice the sunset for the first time in  
ages, and speak to some stranger on the  
street?

Did you lay down at night and think of to-  
morrow? Go out and buy you a gun?

Did you turn off that violent old movie you're  
watchin', and turn on I Love Lucy reruns?

Did you go to a church and hold hands with  
some strangers? Stand in line to give your  
own blood?

Did you just stay home and cling tight to  
your family? Thank God you had somebody  
to love?

I'm just a singer of simple songs  
I'm not a real political man  
I watch CNN, but I'm not sure I can tell you  
The diff'rence in Iraq and Iran

But I know Jesus and I talk to God  
And I remember this from when I was young  
Faith, hope, and love are some good things  
He gave us, and the greatest is love