The Promised Land
Tab Chords And Lyrics
By Chuck Berry

Intro – C
C
F
I left my home in Norfolk Virginia - California on my mind
G
C
Straddled that Greyhound rode him into Raleigh - On across Caroline
Stopped in Charlotte and bypassed Rock Hill
F
And we never was a minute late
G
C
We was ninety miles out of Atlanta by sundown - Rollin' outta Georgia state
F
We had motor trouble it turned into a struggle- Half way 'cross Alabam
G
And that 'hound broke down and left us all stranded
C
In downtown Birmingham.

Break – C-F-G-C
C
F
Straight off, I bought me a through train ticket ridin cross Mississippi clean
G
And I was on that midnight flyer out of Birmingham
C
Smoking into New Orleans

Somebody help me get out of Louisiana
F
Just help me get to Houston town
G
There抯 people there who care a little 'bout me
C
And they won't let the poor boy down
F
Sure as you're born, they bought me a silk suit - Put luggage in my hands
G
C
And I woke up high over Albuquerque - On a jet to the promised land

Break – C-F-G-C
C F
Workin' on a T-bone steak a la carte flying over to the Golden State
G C
The pilot told me in thirteen minutes - He would sit us at the terminal gate
F
Swing low sweet chariot, come down easy - Taxi to the terminal zone
G C
Cut your engines, cool your wings and let me make it to the telephone
F
Los Angeles give me Norfolk Virginia - Tidewater four ten O nine
G
Tell the folks back home this is the promised land callin'
C
And the poor boy's on the line

Break – C-F-G-C