Running On Empty

Words & Music:
Jackson Browne

D A [3x] F#m D A/C# E
(I don’t know where I’m running, now, I’m just running on...)

D A D A [etc.]
Looking out at the road rushing under my wheels.
Looking back at the years gone by like so many summer fields.
In ’65 I was seventeen and running up 101
D A/C# E
I don’t know where I’m running now, I’m just running on...

CHORUS:
D/A A D/A A (Running on) Running on empty. (Running on) Running blind.
D/A A F#m (Running on) Running into the sun, but I’m running behind.

Gotta do what you can just to keep your love alive.
Trying not to confuse it with what you do to survive.
In ’69 I was twenty-one and called the road my own.
I don’t know when that road turned onto the road I’m on.

CHORUS:

REPEAT INTRO: [with slide guitar]

BRIDGE:
F#m D E A F#m E D
Everyone I know, everywhere I go, people need some reason to believe
A
I don’t know about anyone but me.
F#m D E A
If it takes all night, that’ll be alright,

D E D C#m Bm A F#m E
If I can get you to smile before I leave.

Looking out at the road rushing under my wheels
I don’t know how to tell you all just how crazy this life feels
I look around for the friends I used to turn to to pull me through
Looking into their eyes I see them running too

CHORUS:

Honey you really tempt me, You know the way you look so kind
I’d love to stick around but I’m running behind
You know I don’t even know what I’m hoping to find
Running into the sun but I’m running behind.

OUTRO: [slide guitar solo over D A pattern] D E D C#m Bm A