

A Garland Of Golden Spirituals

Traditional Egyptian-African-American Spirituals

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A CITY CALLED HEAVEN

**Ah am a po' pilgrim of sorrow
Ah'm tossed in dis wide world alone
No hope have Ah for tomorrow
Ah'm tryin' to make Heaven ma Home
Sometimes Ah'm both tossed an' driven
Lawd _____
Sometimes Ah have no place to roam
But Ah've heard of a city called Heaven
Ah'm tryin' to make it ma Home**

**Ma mother has reached dat bright glory
Ma father's still walkin' in sin
Ma sisters an' brothers won't own me
Because Ah'm tryin' to make it in**

**Sometimes Ah'm both tossed an' driven
Lawd _____
Sometimes Ah have no place to roam
But Ah've heard of a city called Heaven
Ah'm tryin' to make it ma Home**

AH AM LEANIN' ON DE LAWD**Chorus: (very slowly and elongated)**

**Ah am leanin' on de Lawd
Ah am leanin' on de Lawd
Ah am leanin' on de Lawd
Who died on Calvary**

(repeat)**verses: (very lively)**

**Tell me how did ya feel when ya come out de wilderness?
Come out de wilderness?
Come out de wilderness?
Tell me how did ya feel when ya come out de wilderness?
Leanin' on de Lawd**

**Did your soul feel happy when ya come out de wilderness?
Come out de wilderness?
Come out de wilderness?
Did your soul feel happy when ya come out de wilderness?
Leanin' on de Lawd**

**Did ya love everybody when ya come out de wilderness?
Come out de wilderness?
Come out de wilderness?
Did ya love everybody when ya come out de wilderness?
Leanin' on de Lawd**

(Chorus, twice, very slowly and elongated)

AH AM SEEKIN' FOR A CITY

**Ah am seekin' for a city Hal-le-lu-jah,
For a city into de Kingdom Hal-le-lu-jah,
Oh Bre-the-ren go 'long wid me Hal-le-lu-jah
Say you'll go 'long wid me Hal-le-lu-jah!**

Chorus: next two stanzas

**No-body told me
De road would be easy
Ah don't be-lieve
He brought me dis far to leave me.**

**O Lawd, Ah don't feel no ways tired
Chillen Ohhh-glory Hal-le-lu-jah.
For Ah hope to shout glory when dis world is on fire
Chillen Ohhh-glory Hal-le-lu-jah.**

**Ah am seekin' for a city Hal-le-lu-jah,
For a city into de Kingdom Hal-le-lu-jah,
Oh sis-ter go 'long wid me Hal-le-lu-jah
Say you'll go 'long wid me Hal-le-lu-jah!**

**Dere's a better day a- comin' Hal-le-lu-jah,
Dere's a better day a- comin' Hal-le-lu-jah,
When Ah leave dis worl' of sorrow,**

**Hal-le-lu-jah,
Gwunter jine dat heavenly band Hal-le-lu-jah.**

(Chorus, both stanzas)

**Travel on together Hal-le-lu-jah.
Gwine to war agin' de Devil Hal-le-lu-jah
Gwine to pull down Satan's kingdom Hal-le-lu-jah
Gwine to build up Zion's walls Hal-le-lu-jah**

**O Lawd, Ah don't feel no ways tired
Chillen Ohhh-glory Hal-le-lu-jah.
For Ah hope to shout glory when dis world is on fire
Chillen Ohhh-glory Hal-le-lu-jah
(Ending on high) Ohhh-glory Hal-le-lu-jah**

AH BIN BUKED

Ah bin 'buked an' Ah bin scorned ____d

Ah bin 'buked an' Ah bin scorned,

Chillen

Ah bin 'buked an' Ah bin scorne ____d

Ah bin talked about, sho's you's born

Jesus walked dat lonesome wa ____y

Jesus walked dat lonesome way,

Chillen

Jesus walked dat lonesome wa ____y

He was talked about day by day

Dere is trouble all over dis' wor ____l'

Dere is trouble all over dis' worl'

Chillen

Dere is trouble all over dis' wor ____l'

Dere is trouble all over dis' worl'

Ain't gwunter lay ma 'ligion down

Ain't gwunter lay ma 'ligion down,

Chillen

Ain't gwunter lay ma 'ligion down

Till Jesus calls me for ma crown

AH BIN IN DE STORM SO LONG

Ah bin in de storm so long,
 Ah bin in de storm so long, chillen
 Ah bin in de storm so long,
 Oh, gimme little time to pray (repeat softly)

Oh, lemme tell ma mother
 How Ah come along
 Oh, gimme little time to pray
 Wid a hung-down head an' an achin' heart
 Oh, gimme me little time to pray

Ah bin in de storm so long
 Ah bin in de storm so long, chillen
 Ah bin in de storm so long,
 Oh, gimme little time to pray

Come on sister don't you be ashamed
 Oh, gimme little time to pray
 De angel's waitin' to write yo' name
 Oh, gimme little time to pray

Ah bin in de storm so long
 Ah bin in de storm so long, chillen
 Ah bin in de storm so long
 Oh, gimme little time to pray

Oh, when Ah git to Heaven
 Gonna walk all about
 Oh, gimme little time to pray
 Dere'll be no one dere to turn me out
 Oh, gimme little time to pray

Ah bin in de storm so long
 Ah bin in de storm so long, chillen
 Ah bin in de storm so long
 Oh, gimme little time to pray

Lawd, gimme little time to pray (high on last word)

AH CANNOT STAY HEAH BY MYSELF

**Ah cannot stay heah by myself, Lawd
 Ah cannot stay heah by myself, by myself
 Ah'm goin' away, de Lawd knows where
 Ah jus' can't stay heah by myself**

(repeat)

**Sometimes Ah weep like a willow, Lawd _____
 Sometimes Ah mourn like dove, like a dove
 Ah'm goin' away, de Lawd knows where,
 Ah jus' can't stay heah by myself**

**Ah cannot stay heah by myself, oh Lawd
 What can I do?
 Ah cannot stay heah by myself
 O Lawdy where can Ah go?
 Ah'm goin' away, De Lawd knows where
 Ah jus' can't stay heah by myself**

**Ah cannot stay heah by myself, Lawd
 Ah cannot stay heah by myself, by myself
 Ah'm goin' away, de Lawd knows where
 Ah jus' can't stay heah by myself**

High ending: by myself

AH CRIED AN' AH CRIED

**Ah cried an' Ah cried
Ah cried all night long
Ah cried an' Ah cried
Until Ah found de Lawd**

Chorus:

**Ma soul just couldn't be contented
Ma soul just couldn't be contented
Ma soul just couldn't be contented
Until Ah found de Lawd**

**Ah mourned an' Ah mourned
Ah mourned all night long
Ah mourned an' Ah mourned
Until Ah found de Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Ah prayed an' Ah prayed
Ah prayed all night long
Ah prayed an' Ah prayed
Until Ah found de lawd**

(Chorus)

AH GOT HEAVEN ON MA MIND

**Ah got Heaven on ma mind
An' it keeps me singin' all de time
As Ah walk dat narrow way
You can always hear me say
Ah got Heaven on ma mind**

(repeat)

**Ah got Jesus on ma mind
An' it keeps me singin' all de time
As Ah walk dat narrow way
You can always hear me say
Ah got Jesus on ma mind**

**Ah got de Angels on ma mind
An' it keeps me singin' all de time
As Ah walk dat narrow way
You can always hear me say
Ah got de Angels on ma mind**

**Ah got Heaven on ma mind
An' it keeps me singin' all de time
As Ah walk dat narrow way
You can always hear me say
Ah got Heaven on ma mind**

AH KNOW AH BIN CHANGED

**Ah ___ know Ah bin changed
 Ah__know Ah bin changed
 (Lawd) Ah ___ know Ah bin changed
 De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name**

Chorus:

**(Lawd) Ah ___ know Ah bin changed
 Ah ___ know Ah bin changed
 (Lawd) Ah ___ know Ah bin changed
 De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name**

**Ah told de Lawd if He took ma heart
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)
 I wouldn't desert when de battle got hot
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)**

(Chorus)

**Ah stepped in de water an de water was cold
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)
 It chilled ma body but not ma soul
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)**

(Chorus)

**'Way down a-bout de Jerdin stream
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)
 Ah heard a cry, "Ah bin redeemed"
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)**

(Chorus)

**It makes me happy when Ah sing
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)
 Ah know dat Ah bin born again
 (De Angels in Heaven done signed ma name)**

(Chorus)

AH'M A PO' LIL' ORPHAN IN DIS WORLD

**Ah'm a po' lil' orphan in dis world,
Ah'm a po' lil' orphan in dis world
Ah'm a po' lil' orphan in dis world
Good Lawd, can't stay heah by myself.**

**Ma mother broke de ice an' gone
Ma mother broke de ice an' gone
Ma mother broke de ice an' gone
Good Lawd, Ah cannot stay heah by myself.**

**Ah promised her Ah'd follow on
Ah promised her Ah'd follow on
Ah promised her Ah'd follow on
Good Lawd, can't stay heah by myself.**

AH STOOD ON DE RIBBER OB JERDIN

Ah stood on de ribber ob Jerdin
 To see dat ship come sailin' over
 Ah stood on de ribber ob Jerdin
 To see dat ship sail by

O ____ moaner don't you weep ____
 When you see dat ship come sailin' over
 Shout! Glory Hallelu ____ jah!
 When you see dat ship sail by

O sister! You better be ready
 When you see dat ship come sailin' over

O brother! You better be ready
 When you see dat ship sail by

O preacher! You better be ready
 When you see dat ship come sailin' over

O deacon! You better be rea ____ dy
 When you see dat ship sail by

O ____ moaner don't you weep ____
 When you see dat ship come sailin' over
 Shout! Glory Hallelu ____ jah!
 When you see dat ship sail by

(Echo)
 Shout! Glory Hallelu ____ ____ jah!
 When you see dat ship sail by

AH TOLD JESUS**(It Would Be Alright If He Changed Ma Name)**

**Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name ____
Ah told Jesus it would be alright, be alright, be alright
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name**

**He said "Chile, dis world won't know you if Ah change yo' name"
He said "Chile, dis world won't know you if Ah change yo' name"
But Ah told Jesus it would be alright, be alright, be alright
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name**

**Jesus told me de world would hate me if He changed ma name
Jesus told me de world would hate me if He changed ma name ____
But Ah told Jesus it would be alright, be alright, be alright
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name**

**Jesus told me Ah would have to live humble if He changed ma name
Jesus told me Ah would have to live humble if He changed ma name ____
But Ah told Jesus it would be alright, be alright, be alright
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name**

**Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name ____
Ah told Jesus it would be alright, be alright, be alright
Ah told Jesus it would be alright if He changed ma name**

AH WOKE UP DIS MORNIN' WID MA MIND STAYED ON JESUS**Chorus:**

Ah woke up dis mornin' wid ma mind stayed on Jesus

Ah woke up dis mornin' wid ma mind stayed on Jesus

Ah woke up dis mornin' wid ma mind stayed on Jesus

Hal - le - lu

Hal - le - lu

Hal - le - lu - oo - oo - jah

(Repeat softly)

Ah woke up dis mornin' wid ma mind stayed on de Angels

(Chorus)

Ah woke up dis mornin' wid ma mind stayed on Freedom

(Chorus)

AH'M GONNA SING! (WHEN DE SPIRIT SAYS SING)

**Ah'm gonna sing when de Spirit says sing
 Gonna sing when de Spirit says sing (yes sing)
 Gonna sing when de Spirit says si ____ ng
 An' obey de Spirit ob de Lawd**

(repeat the pattern using the following phrases)

Ah'm gonna pray ...

Ah'm gonna do what de Spirit says do ...

Ah'm gonna dance ...

Ah'm gonna shout ...

**Ah'm gonna sing when de Spirit says sing
 Gonna sing when de Spirit says sing (yes sing)
 Gonna sing when de Spirit says si ____ ng
 An' obey de Spirit ob de Lawd**

Ah'm gonna si ____ ng!

Ah'm gonna si ____ ng!

Ah'm gonna sing when de Spirit says si ____ ng!

AH'M GWUNTER TELL GAWD ALL MA TROUBLES**Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles when Ah git ho ____me****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles****tell Gawd all ma troubles****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter tell Him de road was rocky when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter tell Him de road was rocky when Ah git ho ____me****Ah'm gwunter tell Him de road was rocky****tell Him de road was rocky****Ah'm gwunter tell Him de road was rocky when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd how you treat me when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd how you treat me when Ah git ho ____me****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd how you treat me****tell Gawd how you treat me****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd how you treat me when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter shout all over heaven when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter shout all over heaven when Ah git ho ____ me****Ah'm gwunter shout all over heaven****shout all over heaven****Ah'm gwunter shout all over heaven when Ah git ho ____ me****Ah'm gwunter si ____ng wid de angels when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter si ____ng wid de angels when Ah git ho ____ me****Ah'm gwunter si ____ng wid de angels****sing wid de angels****Ah'm gwunter sing wid de angelswhen Ah git home****(softly and fade out)****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles when Ah git home****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles when Ah git ho ____me****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles****tell Gawd all ma troubles****Ah'm gwunter tell Gawd all ma troubles when Ah git home**

AH WANNA BE READY**Chorus:**

**Ah wanna be ready, Ah wanna be ready. Ah wanna be ready,
To walk in Jerusalem jus' like John (repeat softly)**

**John said de city was jus' four square
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John
An' he declared he'd meet me dere
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John**

(Chorus)

**When Peter was preachin' at de Pentecost
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John
He was endowed wid de Holy Ghost
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John**

(Chorus)

**Oh John, Oh John what did you see?
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John
A band of Angels a - comin' after me
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John**

(Chorus)

**Oh John, Oh John where did you go?
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John
To reign wid God an' de Holy Ghost
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John**

(Chorus)

**Oh John, Oh John what did you say?
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John
Dat Ah'll be dere in de Judgment Day
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John**

(Chorus)

**Brother better min' how you step on de cross
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John
Yo' foot might slip and yo' soul git lost
Walk in Jerusalem jus' like John (Chorus)**

AIN'T - A – DAT GOOD NEWS

Ah got a home up in-a-dat kingdom ain't - a- dat good news?

Ah got a home up in-a-dat kingdom ain't - a - dat good news?

Chorus:

Ah'm gwunter lay down dis worl' an' shoulder up - a - ma cross

Take it home to ma Jesus ain't dat good news?

Ah got a crown up in - a- dat kingdom...

(Chorus)

Ah got a light up in - a- dat kingdom...

(Chorus)

Ah got a sound up in - a- dat kingdom...

(Chorus)

Good News, Good News, ma Lawd

(Pause, the add quickly)

Ain't - a - dat Good News?

Alternate Special Ending:

Gonna go on home to ma Jesus ain't - a - dat Good News?

Gonna put on ma crown for ma Jesus ain't - a - dat Good News?

Gonna see ____ de li ____ ght, of ma Jesus

Hear de sound of ma Jesus ain't - a - dat Good News?

AIN'T GOT TIME TO DIE (by Hall Johnson)

**Lawd, Ah keep so busy praisin' ma Jesus,
 Keep so busy praisin' ma Jesus,
 keep so busy praisin' ma Jesus
 Ain't got time to die
 Cos when Ah'm healin' de sick, when Ah'm healin' de sick
 When Ah'm healin' de sick
 Ain't got time to die**

Chorus:

**Cos it takes all o' ma time, to praise ma Jesus
 All o' ma time to praise ma Lawd
 If Ah don't praise Him,
 De rocks are gonna cry out:
 "Glory an' honor, glory an' honor,"
 Ain't got time to die.**

**Lawd, Ah keep so busy workin' for de Kingdom
 Keep so busy workin' for de Kingdom
 Keep so busy workin' for de Kingdom
 Ain't got time to die
 Cos when Ah'm feedin' de po', when Ah'm feedin' de po'.
 When Ah'm feedin' de po'
 Ain't got time to die.**

(Chorus)

**Lawd, Ah keep so busy servin' ma master
 Keep so busy servin' ma master
 Keep so busy servin' ma master
 Ain't got time to die
 Cos when Ah'm givin' ma all, when Ah'm givin' ma all
 When Ah'm givin' ma all
 Ain't got time to die.**

(Chorus) and Finale:

**Now won't you git outta ma wa ____ y
 Git outta ma wa ____ y
 Glory an' honor,
 Glory an' honor,
 Ain't got ti ____ me to die ____.**

ALL MA TRIALS

**Hush little baby don't you cr ____y
 Y'know yo' mammy's bound to di ____ e
 All ma trials Lawd soon be over**

**Ribber Jerdin's chilly an' co ____ ld
 Chills de body but not de So ____ ul
 All ma trials Lawd soon be over**

**If religion was a thing dat money could buy
 1Y'know de rich would live an' de po' would die
 All ma trials Lawd soon be over**

**Have a little book was given to me
 An' ev'ry page spells lib – er - ty
 All ma trials Lawd soon be over**

**Dere is a tree in Paradi ____ se
 De Pilgrims call it de Tree of Li ____ fe
 All ma trials Lawd soon be over**

**Too late ma Brothers!
 Too late, but never mi ____ nd
 All ma trials Lawd soon be over**

(Alternate: All my trials now soon be over)

ALL ON DAT DAY

O Sinnerman! Where you gwunter run to?
 O Sinnerman! Where you gwunter run to?
 O Sinnerman! Where you gwunter run to?
 All on dat day (repeat)

He run to de rock; “rock won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de rock; “rock won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de rock; “rock won’t you hide me?”
 All on dat day

De Lawd said, “sinnerman; de rock’ll be a – meltin”
 De Lawd said, “sinnerman; de rock’ll be a – meltin”
 De Lawd said, “sinnerman; de rock’ll be a – meltin”
 All on dat day

He run to de sea; “sea won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de sea; “sea won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de sea; “sea won’t you hide me?”
 All on dat day

De Lawd said, “sinnerman, de sea’ll be a – boilin”
 De Lawd said, “sinnerman, de sea’ll be a – boilin”
 De Lawd said, “sinnerman, de sea’ll be a – boilin”
 All on dat day

He run to de moon; “Moon won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de moon; “Moon won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de moon; “Moon won’t you hide me?”
 All on dat day

De Lawd said, “sinnerman, de moon’ll be a – bleedin”
 De Lawd said, “sinnerman, de moon’ll be a – bleedin”
 De Lawd said, “sinnerman, de moon’ll be a – bleedin”
 All on dat day

He run to de Lawd; “Lawd won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de Lawd; “Lawd won’t you hide me?”
 He run to de Lawd; “Lawd won’t you hide me?”
 All on dat day

De Lawd said, “sinnerman, you oughta been a – prayin’ ”
De Lawd said, “sinnerman, you oughta been a – prayin’ ”
De Lawd said, “sinnerman, you oughta been a – prayin’ ”
All on dat day (High Ending)

(Optional Ending)

“Satan! Satan! Won’t you hide me?”
“Satan! Satan! Won’t you hide me?”
“Satan! Satan! Won’t you hide me?”
All on dat day

Satan said, “sinnerman! Step right in”
Satan said, “sinnerman! Step right in“
Satan said, “sinnerman! Step right in _____”
All _____ on _____ dat _____ da _____ y

AMEN (CONCERT VERSION)**A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****See de lit-tle ba-by A-men! ly-in' in a man-ger A-men!
On Christmas Morn-ing A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****See Him in de tem-ple A-men! talk-in' to de eld-ers A-men!
Dey mar-velled at His wis-dom A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****See Him at de sea-shore A-men! Preachin' to de peo-ple A-men!
Heal-in' all de sick ones A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****See Him in de gar-den A-men! Prayin' to de father A-men!
In deep-est sor-row A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****See Him on de cross A-men! Bear-in' all ma sins A-men!
In bitter a-gony A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****Yes, He died to save us A-men! And He rose on Easter A-men!
Now He lives forever A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!****Hal-le-lu-jah! A-men! Je-sus is ma sa-vior A-men!
For He lives for-ever A-men! A-men! A-men!
A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!**

AMEN! (SHORT VERSION)**Chorus:****Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen!****Sing it over! Amen!****Sing it over! Amen!****Sing it over! Amen! Amen! Amen!****(Chorus)****Glory to de Father! Amen!****Glory to de Father! Amen!****Glory to de Father! Amen! Amen! Amen!****(Chorus)****Glory to de Saviour! Amen!****Glory to de Saviour! Amen!****Glory to de Saviour! Amen! Amen! Amen!****(Chorus)****All together now! Amen!****All together now! Amen!****All together now! Amen! Amen! Amen!****(Chorus)****Hallelujah! Amen!****Hallelujah! Amen!****Hallelujah! Amen! Amen! Amen!****(Chorus)**

AN' AH CRY

**Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm down heah by myself
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm down heah by myself
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm down heah by myself
An' Ah stand an' fold ma arms an' Ah cry, cry, cry
An' Ah stand an' fold ma arms an' Ah cry**

**Sometimes Ah feel like Ah've never bin born again
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah've never bin born again
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah've never bin born again
An' Ah stand an' fold ma arms an' Ah cry, cry, cry
An' Ah stand an' fold ma arms an' Ah cry**

**Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm on ma journey home
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm on ma journey home
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm on ma journey home
An' Ah fall down on ma knees an' Ah cry, cry, cry
An' Ah fall down on ma knees an' Ah cry**

BEAR DE BURDEN IN DE HEAT OB DE DAY**Chorus:**

**Ah'm gwunter bear, Lawd
Bear wid de Word, yes
Ah'm gwunter bear, Lawd
Bear de burden in de heat ob de day**

**Elijah he was acquainted wid grief
Bear de burden in the heat ob de day
Now he came for to bring po' sinners relief
Bear de burden in de heat ob de day**

(Chorus)

**Sometimes Ah'm up sometimes Ah'm down
Bear de burden in de heat ob de day
But still ma soul feels a - heavenly bound
Bear de burden in de heat ob de day**

(Chorus)

**Some come a - crippled an' some come lame
Bear de burden in de heat ob de day
Some come a-walkin' in Jesus' name
Bear de burden in de heat ob de day**

(Chorus)

BEHOLD DAT STAR**Chorus:**

**Behold dat star
Behold dat star up yonder
Behold dat star
Dis is de star of Beth-le-hem**

(Repeat)

**De sun rises in de east.
De sun sets in de west.
Ma Lawd does what is best
Dis is de star of Beth-le-hem**

(Chorus)

**Dere was no room at de inn
De wise men came from de east
Oh let de bells in heaven ring
Dis is de star of Beth-le-hem**

(Chorus, then special ending)

**Behold dat star
Behold dat star up yonder
Behold dat wondrous star
Dis is de star of Beth-le-hem**

BLOW, GABRIEL, BLOW

Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
People keep a – comin' but de train's done gone

(Repeat, softly)

Heard a mighty rumblin' under de ground
Must be de Devil turnin' around
Heard a mighty rumblin' up in de sky
It mus ___ t be Jehovah pas-sin by

Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
People keep a – comin' but de train's done gone

Tell dat watchman he can't hide
If he hasn't got de Holy Ghost he can't ride
Good ol' Elijah did declare
Dat none but de righteous shall go dere

Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
Blow ___ Gabriel, train's done gone
People keep a – comin' but de train's done gone

(Repeat, softly)

BROTHER MOSES SMOTE DE WATER

**(Well) Brother Moses smote de water
An' de chillen all passed over
Brother Moses smote de water
An' de sea give away**

(Repeat)

**Sister ain't you glad
You missed dat sinful army
Sister ain't you glad
Dat de sea give way**

**(Well) Brother Moses smote de water
An' de chillen all passed over
(Thank Gawd) bother Moses smote de water
An' de sea give away**

**(Lawd) Brother Moses smote de water
An' de chillen all passed over
Brother Moses smote de water
An' de sea give away**

**Sister ain't you gl ____ ad
You missed dat sinful army
Sister ain't you glad
Dat de sea give way**

**(Lawd) Brother Moses smote de water
An' de chillen all passed over
Brother Moses smote de water
An' de sea give awa ____ y**

BYE AN' BYE**Chorus:**

O bye an' bye, bye an' bye
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load
 (Repeat)

Ah know ma robe's gwunter fit me well
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load
 Ah tried it on at de gates of hell
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load

(Chorus)

Hell is a deep an' dark despair
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load
 O stop po' sinner an' don't go dere
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load

(Chorus)

Oh, one of dese mornin's bright an' fair
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load
 Gwunter beat ma wings an' cleave de air
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load

(Chorus)

When Ah git to Heaven gwunter sing an' shout
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load
 Dere'll be no one dere to turn me out
 Ah'm gwunter lay down dis heavy load

(Chorus)

CALVARY**Chorus:**

**Calvary, Calvary,
Calvary, Calvary,
Surely He died on Calvary**

**Ev'ry time Ah think about Jesus
Ev'ry time Ah think about Jesus
Surely He died on Calvary**

(Chorus)

**Can you hear de hammer a -ringin'?
Can you hear de hammer a -ringin'?
Surely He died on Calvary**

(Chorus)

CERTAINLY LAWD!

**Have you got good religion? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you got good religion? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you got good religion? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Have you been to de pools? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been to de pools? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been to de pools? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Have you been baptized? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been baptized? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been baptized? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Have you been redeemed? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been redeemed? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been redeemed? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Have you been converted? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been converted? Certainly Lawd!
 Have you been converted? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Did you bow mighty low? Certainly Lawd!
 Did you bow mighty low? Certainly Lawd!
 Did you bow mighty low? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Did your Soul feel happy? Certainly Lawd!
 Did your Soul feel happy? Certainly Lawd!
 Did your Soul feel happy? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Did you feel like shoutin? Certainly Lawd!
 Did you feel like shoutin? Certainly Lawd!
 Did you feel like shoutin? Certainly Lawd!
 Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Did you run tell yo' sister? Certainly Lawd!
Did you run tell yo' brother? Certainly Lawd!
Did you run tell yo' mother? Certainly Lawd!
Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Do you love everybody? Certainly Lawd!
Do you love everybody? Certainly Lawd!
Do you love everybody? Certainly Lawd!
Certainly, Certainly, Certainly Lawd!**

**Oh, Certainly! Certainly Lawd!
Oh, Certainly! Certainly, Lawd!
Oh, Certainly. Certainly Lawd!
Certainly, Certainly Certainly, Lawd!**

CHILLEN DON'T YOU GIT WEARY

**Chillen don't you git weary
Chillen don't you git weary
Chillen don't you git weary
'Til yo' work is done**

(repeat)

**Jesus didn't git weary
Jesus didn't git weary
Jesus didn't git weary
'Til His work was done**

**Mother didn't git weary
Mother didn't git weary
Mother didn't git weary
'Til Her work was done**

**Father didn't git weary
Father didn't git weary
Father didn't git weary
'Til His work was done**

**Chillen don't you git weary
Chillen don't you git weary
Chillen don't you git weary
'Til yo' work is done**

CLIMBIN' UP DE MOUNTAIN CHILLEN

**Ah'm climbin' up de mountain chillen
Ah didn't come heah to stay
If Ah never more see you again
Ah'll meet you on de Judgment Da - a - a - ay
Meet you on de Judgment Day!**

**Mother's climbin' up de mountain chillen
She didn't come heah to stay
If Ah never more see you again
Ah'll meet you on de Judgment Da - a - a - ay
Meet you on de Judgment Day!**

**Father's climbin' up de mountain chillen
He didn't come heah to stay
If Ah never more see you again
Ah'll meet you on de Judgment Da - a - a - ay
Meet you on de Judgment Day!**

**We're climbin' up de mountain chillen
We didn't come heah to stay
If Ah never more see you again
Ah'll meet you on de Judgment Da - a - a - ay
Meet you on de Judgment Day!**

COULDN'T HEAR NOBODY PRAY

**Couldn't hear nobody pray
Couldn't hear nobody pray
Way down yonder by myself
An' Ah couldn't hear nobody pray**

Chorus:

**Couldn't hear nobody pray
Oh Lawd! Couldn't hear nobody pray
Way down yonder by myself
An' Ah couldn't hear nobody pray**

**In de valley, on ma knees
Wid ma Savior, if you please**

(Chorus)

**Chilly waters, over Jerden
Crossin' over, into Canaan**

(Chorus)

**Hallelujah! trouble over
In de Kingdom, wid ma Jesus**

(Chorus)

DE ANGELS KEEP WATCHIN' OVER ME**Chorus:**

**All day, all night
De Angels keep watchin' over me, ma Lawd
All day, all night
De Angels keep watchin' over me**

**All summer, all fall
De Angels keep watchin' over me, ma Lawd
All summer, all fall
De Angels keep watchin' over me**

(Chorus)

**All winter, All spring
De Angels keep watchin' over me, ma Lawd
All winter, All spring
De Angels keep watchin' over me**

(Chorus)

DE BLIND MAN STOOD ON DE ROAD AN' CRIED

De blind man stood on de road an' cried

De blind man stood on de road an' cried

Cryin' O ___ Lawdy

Save me

De blind man stood on de road an' cried

Cryin' dat he might receive his sight

Cryin' dat he might recieve his sight

Cryin' O ___ Lawdy

Save me

De blind man stood on de road an' cried

Cryin' what kind a shoes you wear?

Cryin' what kind a shoes you wear?

Cryin' O ___ Lawdy

Save me

De blind man stood on de road an' cried

Dese shoes Ah wear am de Gospel shoes

Dese shoes Ah wear am de Gospel shoes

Cryin' O ___ Lawdy

Save me

De blind man stood on de road an' cried

DEEP RIVER

**Deep river
Ma home is over Jerden
Deep river Lawd,
Ah wanna cross over into campground**

(repeat)

**Oh, don't you want to go,
To dat Gospel Feast
Dat promised land
Where all is peace
Deep river Lawd
Ah wanna cross over into campground**

**When Ah git to Heaven
An' sit down in ma' seat
Ah'll cast ma crown
At Jesus' feet
Deep river Lawd
Ah wanna cross over into campground**

**Ah'll walk into Heaven
Ah'll walk all about
Dere's no one dere
To turn me out
Deep river Lawd
Ah wanna cross over into campground**

**Deep river
Ma home is over Jerden
Deep river Lawd,
Ah wanna cross over into campground**

DEM BONES

Chorus:

Dem bones dem bones dem dry bones
 Dem bones dem bones dem dry bones
 Dem bones dem bones dem dry bones
 An' hear de word ob de Lawd!

(repeat)

De toe bone connected to de foot bone
 De foot bone connected to de ankle bone
 De ankle bone connected to de leg bone
 De leg bone connected to de shin bone
 De shin bone connected to de knee bone
 De knee bone connected to de thigh bone
 An' hear de word ob de Lawd!

(Chorus)

De thigh bone connected to de hip bone
 De hip bone connected to de seat bone
 De seat bone connected to de back bone
 De back bone connected to de shoulder bone
 De shoulder bone connected to de neck bone
 De neck bone connected to de head bone
 An' heah 'de word ob de Lawd

(Chorus)

Oh ___ dem bones!
 Oh ___ dem bones!
 An' hear de word ob de Law ____ d!

DE OL ARK'S A-MOVERIN'

Chorus:

De Ol Ark's a-moverin'
 An' a-moverin' an' a-moverin' an'
 De Ol Ark's a-moverin'
 An' Ah'm a-goin' home

(Repeat)

O sister won't you help me?
 O sister won't you help me to pray
 O sister won't you help me?
 Won't you help me in de service ob de Lawd

(Chorus)

O brother won't you help me
 O brother won't you help me to pray
 O brother won't you help me
 Won't you help me in de service ob de Lawd

(Chorus)

De ol' ark she reel an' de ol' ark she rock
 De ol' ark she landed on de mountaintop

De Ol Ark's a-moverin'
 An' a-moverin' an' a-moverin'
 De Ol Ark's a-moverin'
 An' Ah'm a-goin' home

DE OL' SHIP OB ZION**Chorus:**

**'Tis de ol' Ship ob Zion
'Tis de ol' Ship ob Zion
'Tis de ol' Ship ob Zion
Git on board, git on board**

(Repeat Chorus)

**It has landed many a thousand
It has landed many a thousand
It has landed many a thousand
Git on board, git on board**

(Chorus)

**It will lead you over Jerden
It will lead you over Jerden
It will lead you over Jerden
Git on board, git on board**

(Chorus)

**Danger, danger in de water
Danger, danger in de water
Danger, danger in de water
Git on board, git on board**

(Chorus)

**Flash de lightnin', sound de thunder
Flash de lightnin', sound de thunder
Flash de lightnin', sound de thunder
Git on board, git on board**

(Chorus)

DERE IS A BALM IN GILEAD**Chorus:**

**Dere is a balm in Gilead
To make de wounded whole
Dere is a balm in Gilead
To heal de sin - sick soul**

**Sometimes Ah feel discouraged
An' think ma work's in vain,
But den de Holy Spirit,
Revives ma soul again**

(Chorus)

**Don't ever be discouraged
For Jesus is yo' friend
An' if you lack for knowledge
He'll ne-er refuse to lend**

(Chorus)

**If you cannot sing like angels
If you cannot preach like Paul (or: sing at all)
You can tell de love of Jesus
An' say He died for all.**

(Chorus)

DERE'S A LITTLE WHEEL A - TURNIN' (IN MA HEART)**Chorus:**

**Dere's a little wheel a - turnin' in ma heart
Dere's a little wheel a - turnin' in ma heart
In ma heart
In ma heart
Dere's a little wheel a - turnin' in ma heart**

(Repeat)

**O Ah feel so happy in ma heart
O Ah feel so happy in ma heart
In ma heart
In ma heart
O Ah feel so happy in ma heart**

(Chorus)

**O Ah feel like singin' in ma heart
O Ah feel like singin' in ma heart
In ma heart
In ma heart
O Ah feel like singin' in ma Heart**

**Dere's a little wheel a - turnin' in ma heart
Dere's a little wheel a - turnin' in ma heart
In ma heart
In ma heart
Dere's a little wheel a - turnin' in ma heart**

DERE'S A MAN GOIN' ROUN' TAKIN' NAMES

**Dere's a man goin' roun' takin' names
Dere's a man goin' roun' takin' names
He has taken ma father's name
An' it left ma heart in pain
Dere's a man goin' roun' takin' names**

**Dere's a man goin' roun' takin' names
Dere's a man goin' roun' takin' names
He has taken ma mother's name
An' it left ma heart in pain
Dere's a man goin' roun' takin' names**

**Oh Death is dat man takin' names
Oh Death is dat man takin' na – a – ames
Oh Death is dat man takin' names**

DERE'S NO HIDIN' PLACE DOWN HERE**Chorus:**

**Dere's no hidin' place down here
Dere's no hidin' place down here
Well Ah went to de rock to hide ma face,
De rock cried out, "no hidin' place -
Dere's no hidin' place down here"**

(Repeat softly)

**O de rock cried, "Ah'm hidin' too"
De rock cried, "Ah'm hidin' too"
O de rock cried out, "Ah'm hidin' too
Ah wanna go to heaven jus' like you
Dere's no hidin' place down here."**

(Chorus)

**O de rock cried, "Ah'm burnin' too"
De rock cried, "Ah'm burnin' too"
O de rock cried out, "Ah'm burnin' too
Ah wanna go to heaven jus' like you
Dere's no hidin' place down here."**

(Chorus softly)

DE STORM IS PASSIN' OVER

**Courage ma soul
And let us journey home
Though de night is dark
It won't be very long.
Thanks be to Gawd
De morning light appears
An' de' storm is passin' over, a - hallelu**

**Hallelu, hallelu-u-jah
Yes de storm is passin' over, a - hallelu**

**De stars have disappeared
An' distant lights are dim
Ma soul is filled with fear
De seas are breakin' in
I hear de Master cry
Be not afraid 'tis I
An' de storm is passin' over, a - hallelu**

**Hallelu, hallelu-u-jah
Yes de storm is passin' over, a – hallelu**

DEY CRUCIFIED MA LAWD

**Dey crucified ma Lawd,
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
Dey crucified ma Lawd,**

Chorus:

**An' He never said a mumblin' word,
Not a word, not a word, not a word.**

**Wasn't it a pity an' a shame
An' He never said a mumblin' word,
Wasn't it a pity an' a shame**

(Chorus)

**Dey nailed Him to de tree,
An' he never said a mumblin' word.
Dey nailed Him to de tree**

(Chorus)

**De blood come a-tricklin' down,
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
De blood come a-tricklin' down,**

(Chorus)

**De sun refused to shine
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
De sun refused to shine**

(Chorus)

**Dey pierced Him wid de spear,
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
Dey pierced Him wid de spear,**

(Chorus)

**He hung His head an' died
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
He hung His head an' died**

(Chorus)

**He died for you an' me
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
He died for you and me**

(Chorus)

**Dey crucified ma Lawd,
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
Dey crucified ma Lawd,
An' He never said a mumblin' word.
Not a word, not a word, not a word.**

DIDN'T IT RAIN?**Chorus:**

**Listen to de rain. Listen to de rain.
Listen to de rain. Listen to de rain.
Oh ___ ma Lawd didn't it rain?
Didn't it rain, chillen? Rain O ma Lawd!
Didn't it rain, chillen?
Oh ___ ma Lawd, didn't it rain?**

**Rained 40 days an' 40 nights wid out stoppin'.
Rained 40 days an' 40 nights wid out stoppin'.
Oh ___ ma Lawd, didn't it rain?**

**Listen to de rain. Listen to de rain.
Listen to de rain. Listen to de rain.
Oh ___ ma Lawd didn't it rain?**

**To de East, to de West,
To de North, to de South
All day, all night. All day, all night.
Oh ma Lawd, didn't it rain?**

(Chorus)

DIDN'T MA LAWD DELIVER DANIEL?

Chorus:

**Didn't ma Lawd deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel,
deliver Daniel?**

Didn't ma Lawd deliver Daniel? An' why not every man?

(Repeat)

**He delivered Daniel from de lion's den
Jonah from de belly ob de whale
Hebrew chillen from de fiery furnace
An' why not every man?**

(Chorus)

**De moon run down in a purple stream
De sun refuse to shine
Ev'ry star in de sky did fall
King Jesus shall be mine**

(Chorus)

**De wind blows East an' de wind blows West
It blows on de Judgment Day
An' ev'ry soul dat never did pray
Would love to pray dat day**

(Chorus)

**Ah set ma foot on de Gospel ship
An' de ship it began to sail
Landed me over on Canaan's shore
An' Ah never come back no more**

(Chorus)

DIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

**Dis little light ob mine, Ah'm gonna let it shine!
Dis little light ob mine, Ah'm gonna let it shine!
Dis little light ob mine, Ah'm gonna let it shine!
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine**

Dis little sound ob mine...

Dis little movement ob mine...

All around de universe...

All in ma room...

Deep in ma heart...

Everywhere Ah go ...

DO LAWD**Chorus:**

**Do Lawd, O do Lawd, O do remember me
 O Lawdy
 Do Lawd, O do Lawd, O do remember me
 Do Lawd, O do Lawd, O do remember me
 Look away beyond de blue (horizon)**

**Ah gotta home in Glory Land dat outshines de sun
 Ah gotta home in Glory Land dat outshines de sun
 Ah gotta home in Glory Land dat outshines de sun
 Look away beyond de blue (horizon)**

(Chorus)

**Ah took Jesus as ma saviour, you take Him too
 Ah took Jesus as ma saviour, you take Him too
 Ah took Jesus as ma saviour, you take Him too
 Look away beyond de blue (horizon)**

(Chorus)

**If you can't bear de cross, den you can't wear de crown
 If you can't bear de cross, den you can't wear de crown
 If you can't bear de cross, den you can't wear de crown
 Look away beyond de blue (horizon)**

(Chorus)

**Peace dat passes understandin', down in ma heart
 Peace dat passes understandin', down in ma heart
 Peace dat passes understandin', down in ma heart
 Look away beyond de blue (horizon)**

(Chorus)

DO YOU LOVE MA LAWD?

**Is dere anybody here who loves ma Jesus?
Is dere anybody here who loves ma Lawd?**

Chorus:

**I wanna to know if you love ma Jesus
I wanna to know if you love ma Lawd**

**Ma soul feels happy when Ah love ma Jesus
Ma soul feels happy when Ah love ma Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Makes me feel like shoutin' when Ah love ma Jesus
Makes me feel like shoutin' when Ah love ma Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Makes us love each other when we love our Jesus
Makes us love each other when we love our Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Tell it on de mountain dat you love your Jesus
Tell it on de mountain dat you love your Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Tell it in de valley dat you love your Jesus
Tell it in de valley dat you love your Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Dis worl' is a wilderness of woe
An' only de righteous to heaven will go**

(Chorus)

**Religion's like a blooming rose
None but de righteous to heaven will go (Chorus)**

DONE FOUN' MA LOST SHEEP

Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Hallelujah
 Ah done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep

Ma Lawd had a hundred sheep
 One a dem did go astray
 Dat just left Him ninety-nine
 Run to de wilderness seek and fin'
 If you fin' him bring him back
 'Cross yo' shoulders 'cross yo' back
 Tell de neighbors all aroun'
 Dat lost sheep has done bin foun'

Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep

In dat resurrection day
 Sinner can't fin' no hidin' place
 Go to de mountain, de mountain move
 Run to de hill, de hill run too
 Sinner man trab'lin' on tremblin' groun'
 Po' lost sheep ain't never bin foun'
 Sinner why don't you stop an' pray
 Den you'd hear de Shepherd say

Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep

Hallelujah, Ah done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep
 Done foun' ma lost sheep

DON'T YOU LET NOBODY TURN YOU 'ROUN' (version 1)

Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'

Chorus:

Turn you 'roun'

Turn you 'roun'

Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'

Keep on to Galilee!

(Repeat)

Don't you let no sinner turn you 'roun'

(Chorus)

Don't you let no hypocrite turn you 'roun'

(Chorus)

Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'

Turn you 'roun'

Turn you 'roun'

Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'

(slower and higher ending)

Keep on to Galilee!

Note:

**(alternate: to "Keep on to Galilee"
Keep away from de evil tree")**

DON'T YOU LET NOBODY TURN YOU 'ROUN' (version 2)

Chorus:

Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'
 Turn you 'roun'
 Turn you 'roun'
 Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'
 Keep de straight an' de narrow way

Now at de Ribber of Jerden
 Baptism was at hand
 An' John baptized de multitude
 For to save a sinner man

(Chorus)

Now some dey came by water
 An' some dey came by land
 But to end we gets to heaven
 For to shake each other's hand

(Chorus)

Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'
 Turn you 'roun'
 Turn you 'roun'
 Don't you let nobody turn you 'roun'
 Keep de straight an' de narrow way

Keep de straight an' de narrow way
 Keep de straight an' de narrow way
 Keep de straight an' de narrow way

EVERY TIME AH FEEL DE SPIRIT**Chorus:**

**Every time Ah feel de spirit
Movin' in ma heart Ah will pray
Every time Ah feel de spirit
Movin' in ma heart Ah will pray**

**Jerden's ribber chilly an' cold
Chills de body, not de soul**

(Chorus)

**All around me looks so fine
Ask de Lawd if all is mine.**

(Chorus)

**Up on de mountain ma Lawd spoke
Out His mouth come fire an' smoke**

(Chorus)

**Ain't but one train runs dis track
Runs to heaven an' runs back**

(Chorus)

**Down in de valley, upon ma knees
Ask ma Lawd have mercy please!**

(Chorus)

**Saint Peter's waitin' at de gate
Sez, "Come on sinner, don't be late."**

(Chorus, and repeat softly)

EZEKIEL SAW DE WHEEL

Chorus:

**Ezekiel saw de wheel, way up in de middle ob de air
 Ezekiel saw de wheel, way in de middle ob de air
 An' de little wheel run by faith
 An' de big wheel run by de grace ob Gawd
 It's a wheel in a wheel, way in de middle ob de air**

**Sometimes Ah'm up, sometimes Ah'm down
 (Way in de middle ob de air)
 But still ma souls' a - heavenly bound
 (Way in de middle ob de air)**

(Chorus)

**Oh way o'er yonder in de harvest field
 (Way in de middle ob de air)
 Oh de angel's shoutin' at de chariot wheel
 (Way in de middle ob de air)
 (Chorus)**

**Up on de mountain Gawd He spoke
 (Way in de middle ob de air)
 Out His mouth come fire an smoke
 (Way in de middle ob de air)**

(Chorus)

**Ah looked o'er Jerdin, wha'd Ah see?
 (Way in de middle ob de air)
 A band of Angels a - comin' after me
 (Way in de middle ob de air)**

(Chorus)

**(Slow ending)
 Whirlin' whirlin' way in de middle ob de air**

Extra verses:

**Brother better min' how you step on de cross
Yo' foot might slip an' yo' soul get lost**

**Ol' satan wears de gospel shoes
Better watch out or he'll step on you.**

**Oh lemme tell you what de hypocrite'll do
He'll talk about me and he'll talk about you**

**If you git dere before Ah do
Look for me Ah'm comin' too**

FOLLOW DE DRINKIN' GOURD**Chorus:**

**Follow de drinkin' gourd!
Follow de drinkin' gourd
For de old man will be waitin'
For to carry you to freedom
If you follow de drinkin' gourd**

**When de sun comes back
An' de first quail calls
For de old man will be waitin'
For to carry you to freedom
If you follow de drinkin' gourd**

(Chorus)

**De river bank makes a mighty good road
De dead trees will show you de way
Left foot, peg foot, travellin' on
Follow de drinkin' gourd**

(Chorus)

**De river ends between two hills,
Follow de drinkin' gourd
Dere's another river on de other side
Follow de drinkin' gourd**

(Chorus)

**When de great big river meets de little river
Follow de drinkin' gourd
For de old man will be waitin'
For to carry you to freedom
If you follow de drinkin' gourd**

FREE AT LAST

**Ah know ma Lawd is a man of war
He fought ma battle at Hell's dark door**

Chorus:

**Free at last! Free at last!
Thank Gawd a'mighty, Ah'm free at last!**

**You can hinder me here
But you can't hinder me dere**

(Chorus)

**De Lawd in Heaven will answer ma prayer
He's gonna make me free at last**

(Chorus)

**Satan thought he had me fast
Ah broke his chain, got free at last!**

(Chorus)

**Ah went to de valley Ah didn't go to stay
Ma soul got happy an' Ah stayed all day**

(Chorus)

**Ah went to de valley Ah didn't go to stay
Ma soul got happy an' Ah stayed all day**

(Chorus X3)

GIMME DAT OL' TIME RELIGION

Chorus:

**Gimme dat ol' time religion
Gimme dat ol' time religion
Gimme dat ol' time religion
It's good enough for me**

(Repeat, softly)

**It was good for de Hebrew chillen
It was good for de Hebrew chillen
It was good for de Hebrew chillen
It's good enough for me**

(Chorus)

**It was good for Paul an' Silas
It was good for Paul an' Silas
It was good for Paul an' Silas
It's good enough for me**

(Chorus)

**It will do when de world's on fire
It will do when de world's on fire
It will do when de world's on fire
It's good enough for me**

(Chorus)

**Makes us love everybody
Makes us love everybody
Makes us love everybody
It's good enough for me**

(Chorus)

(Repeat, softly)

(other verses)

**It was good for our mother ...
It has saved our fathers ...
It was good for de prophet Daniel ...
It was tried in de fiery furnace ...
It will do when Ah am dyin' ...
It will take us all to heaven ...**

GIMME YO' HAND**Chorus:**

**Oh, gimme yo' hand
Gimme yo' hand
All Ah want is de Love of Gawd
Gimme yo' hand
Gimme yo' hand
You must be lovin' at Gawd's command**

(repeat)

**You say yo' aimin' for de skies
You must be lovin' at Gawd's command
Why don't you stop yo' tellin' lies?
You must be lovin' at Gawd's command**

(Chorus)

**You say de Lawd has set you free
You must be lovin' at Gawd's command
Why don't you let yo' neighbor be?
You must be lovin' at Gawd's command**

(Chorus)

GIT ON BOARD

**Git on board, little chillen
 Git on board, little chillen
 Git on board, little chillen
 Dere's room for many a more**

Chorus:

**Oh git on board, little chillen
 Git on board, little chillen
 Git on board, little chillen
 Dere's room for many a more**

**De gospel train's a - comin'
 Ah hear it jus' at han'
 Ah hear de car wheels movin'
 An - a - rumblin' through de lan'**

(Chorus)

**Ah hear de bell an' whistle
 Dere comin' roun' de curve
 She's loosin' all her brakes an' steam
 An' strainin' every nerve**

(Chorus)

**No signal for another train
 To follow on dat line
 Oh sinner you're forever lost
 If once you're left behind**

(Chorus)

**Dis is de Christian letter
 For models new an' old
 Salvation an' repentance
 Are burned dere in gold**

(Chorus)

**She's nearin' now de station
Oh sinner don't be vain
But come an' git yo' ticket
An' be ready for dat train**

(Chorus)

**De fare is cheap an' all can go
De rich an' po' are dere
No second class aboard dis train
No difference in de fare**

(Chorus)

GIVE ME JESUS

**In de mornin' when Ah rise
In de mornin' when Ah rise
In de mornin' when Ah rise**

Chorus:

**Give me Jesus
Give me Jesus
Give me Jesus
You can have all dis worl'
Give me Jesus**

**Ah heard ma mother say
Ah heard ma mother say
Ah heard ma mother say**

(Chorus)

**Dark midnight was ma cry
Dark midnight was ma cry
Dark midnight was ma cry**

(Chorus)

**When all ma hope is gone
When all ma hope is gone
When all ma hope is gone**

(Chorus)

**Oh, when Ah come to die
Oh, when Ah come to die
Oh, when Ah come to die**

(Chorus)

**Jus' at de break of day
Jus' at de break of day
Jus' at de break of day**

(Chorus)

GLORY GLORY HALLELUJAH!**Chorus:**

**Glory glory, Hallelujah!
 Since Ah lay ma burden down
 Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
 Since Ah lay ma burden down**

(Repeat)

**Ah bin restin' from ma labor
 Since Ah lay ma burden down
 Ah bin restin' from ma labor
 Since Ah lay ma burden down**

(Chorus)

**All ma troubles now are over
 Since Ah lay ma burden down
 All ma troubles now are over
 Since Ah lay ma burden down**

(Chorus)**(Slowly)**

**Lawd Ah'm fee ____ lin' so much bet-ter
 Since Ah lay ma burden down
 Lawd Ah'm fee ____ lin' so much bet-ter
 Since Ah lay ma burden down**

(Chorus)**Alternate verses:**

**Ah bin climbin' Jacob's ladder...
 Every round goes higher an' higher ...
 Ah bin crossin' over Jerden ...
 Goin' home to live wid Jesus ...
 Ah been marchin' in de Kingdom ...**

GAWD'S GWUNTER SET DIS WORL' ON FIRE

Chorus:

**Gawd's gwunter set dis worl' on fire (Yes! Yes! Yes!)
 Gawd's gwunter set dis worl' on fire some o' dese days (Halleluljah!)
 Gawd's gwunter set dis worl' on fire
 Gawd's gwunter set dis worl' on fire some o' dese days**

Verses:

Ah'm gwunter sit at de welcome table (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

Ah'm gwunter feast on milk an' honey (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

Ah'm gwunter drink de healin' waters (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

(End with Chorus)

(More verses)

Ah'm gwunter walk de streets ob glory (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

Ah'm gwunter sing an' shout forever (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

Ah'm gwunter see ma sainted mother (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

Ah'm gwunter see ma blessed Saviour (Yes! Yes! Yes!) ...

GOIN' HOME**Chorus:**

**Goin' home
Goin' home
Ah am goin' home
Goin' home
Goin' home
Ah am goin' home**

**Mother's dere at de gate
All de friends Ah knew
Goin' home
Goin' home
Ah am goin' home**

**Father's dere at de gate
All de friends Ah knew
Goin' home
Goin' home
Ah am goin' home**

(Chorus)

(Finale, slowly)

Ah am goin' home

GOOD NEWS! CHARIOTS COMIN'

(Special Beginning)

Good news! Good news ma Lawd! Aint-a-dat Good news!

Chorus:

Good news! Chariots comin'

Good news! Chariots comin'

Good news! Chariots comin'

An' Ah don't want it to leave –a – me behind (repeat softly)

De _____ re are _____ long white robes in de Heaven Ah know

Dere are long white robes in de heaven Ah know

Dere are long white robes in de heaven Ah know

An' Ah don't want it to leave –a – me behind

(Chorus)

De _____ re are _____ starry crowns in de heaven Ah know

De re are starry crowns in de heaven Ah know

De re are starry crowns in de heaven Ah know

An' Ah don't want it to leave –a – me behind

(Chorus)

De _____ re are _____ silver slippers in de heaven Ah know

Dere are silver slippers in de heaven Ah know

Dere are silver slippers in de heaven Ah know

An' Ah don't want it to leave –a – me behind

Good news! Chariots comin'

Good news! Chariots comin'

Good news! Chariots comin'

An' Ah don't want dat ol' char-i-ot to leave –a – me be-hin _____ d!

(Special ending)

Good News! Good News ma Lawd! Aint'a dat Good News!

Extra verse: Ri _____ de up _____ in de chariot for to carry me home

Ride up in de chariot for to carry me home

Ride up in de chariot for to carry me home

An' Ah don't want it to leave –a – me behind

GO TELL IT ON DE MOUNTAIN**Chorus:**

**Go, tell it on de mountain, over de hills an' everywhere
Go, tell it on de mountain, dat Jesus Christ is born.**

(Repeat)

**When Ah was a seeker
Ah sought both night an' day
Ah asked de Lawd to help me
An' He showed me de way**

(Chorus)

**While shepherds kept dere watchin'
O'er silent flocks by night
Behold throughout de heavens
Dere shone a holy light**

(Chorus)

**De shepherds feared an' trembled
When lo! above de earth
Rang out de angel chorus
Dat hailed our Saviour's birth**

(Chorus)

**Ma Gawd made me a watchman
High on a city wall
An' if Ah am a Christian
Ah am de least of all**

(Chorus)

GREAT DAY!**Chorus:****Great Day!****Great Day! De righteous marchin'!****Great Day! God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****(Repeat)****De chariot rode on de mountain top!****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****Ma Lawd He spoke an' de chariot stop!****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****(Chorus)****Dis is de Day of Jubilee****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****Ma Lawd has set His people free.****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****(Chorus)****Ah was a moaner jes' like you****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****Ah prayed an' prayed till Ah come through****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****(Chorus)****Ah'll take ma breastplate sword an' shield****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****An' march out boldly on de field****God's gwunter build up Zion's walls!****(Chorus)****(retard and crescendo)****God's --- gwunter --- build up --- Zion's --- Walls!**

GREAT GAWD A'MIGHTY

Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty

Here He come a-ridin'
 Ridin' in a hurry
 Ridin' like he's angry

Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty

Bullwhip in one hand
 Time in de other hand
 Gawd don'cha kill me!

Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great Gawd a-mighty
 Great ___ Gawd___ a-mi ____ ghty

GUIDE MA FEET LAWD

**Guide ma feet, Lawd
While Ah run dis race, Ohh
Guide ma feet, Lawd
While Ah run dis race (In de mornin' Lawd)
Guide ma feet, Lawd
While Ah run dis race
So Ah don't have to run dis race in vain!**

**Hold ma hand, Lawd
While Ah run dis race, Ohh
Hold ma hand, Lawd
While Ah run dis race (In de mornin' Lawd)
Hold ma hand, Lawd
While Ah run dis race
So Ah don't have to run dis race in vain!**

**Stand by me, Lawd
While Ah run dis race, Ohh
Stand by me, Lawd
While Ah run dis race (In de mornin' Lawd)
Stand by me, Lawd
While Ah run dis race
So Ah don't have to run dis race in vain!**

GWUNTER JOURNEY AWAY ONE MORNIN'

**Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter lay down dis heavy load
Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter journey away to Gawd.**

**Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter see de Angels dere
Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter journey away to Gawd.**

**Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter try on ma long white robe
Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter journey away to Gawd.**

**Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter put on ma golden crown
Ah gwunter journey away one mornin'
Gwunter journey away to Gawd.**

HALLELUJAH (AH BIN DOWN INTO DE SEA)

Chorus:

Hallelujah!

An' a- Hallelujah!

Hallelujah Lawd, well Ah bin down into the sea

Hallelujah!

An' a- Hallelujah, Glory

Hallelujah Lawd, well Ah bin down into the sea

Hallelujah!

An' a- Hallelujah!

Hallelujah Lawd, well Ah bin down into the sea

Bin to the sea an' Ah been tried

(Bin down into de sea)

Bin to de sea and Ah bin baptized

(Bin down into de sea)

Singin' (Chorus)

Moses stood on de Red Sea shore

(Bin down into de sea)

Smotin' de water wid a two by four

(Bin down into de sea)

Singin' (Chorus)

Dis is de year ob jubilee

(Bin down into de sea)

Ma Lawd will set me free

(Bin down into de sea)

Singin' (Chorus)

Bin down into de sea

Dis is de year ob jubilee

Ma Lawd will set me free

'Cuz Ah been do _____wn into _____ de sea _____

HEAR DE LAMBS A-CRYIN'

**You hear de lambs a-cryin'
Hear de lambs a-cryin'
Hear de lambs a-cryin
Oh, Shepherd feed-a-ma-sheep**

**Ma Savior spoke dese words so sweet
“Peter, if you love me feed-a-my sheep”
“Lawd I love Thee, Thou dost know
Oh give me grace to love thee more”**

**Hear de lambs a-cryin'
Hear de lambs a-cryin
Oh, Shepherd feed-a-ma-sheep**

HEAVEN, HEAVEN

**Ah gotta robe! You gotta robe! All Gawd's chillen gotta robe!
 When Ah git to Heaven gwunter put on ma robe
 Ah'm gwunter shout all over Gawd's Heaven
 Heaven, Heaven
 Everybody talkin' 'bout Heaven ain't goin dere
 Heaven, Heaven
 Gwunter shout all over Gawd's Heaven**

**Ah gotta shoes! You gotta shoes! All Gawd's chillen gotta shoes!
 When Ah git to Heaven gwunter put on ma shoes,
 Ah gwunter walk all over Gawd's Heaven
 Heaven, Heaven
 Everybody talkin' 'bout Heaven ain't goin' dere
 Heaven, Heaven
 Gwunter walk all over Gawd's Heaven**

**Ah gotta harp! You gotta harp! All Gawd's chillen gotta harp!
 When Ah git to Heaven gwunter play on ma harp
 Ah'm gwunter play all over Gawd's Heaven
 Heaven, Heaven
 Everybody talkin' 'bout Heaven ain't goin' dere
 Heaven, Heaven
 Gwunter play all over Gawd's Heaven**

**Ah gotta wings! You gotta wings! All Gawd's chillen gotta wings!
 When Ah git to Heaven gwunter spread out ma wings
 Ah'm gwunter fly all over Gawd's Heaven
 Heaven, Heaven
 Everybody talkin' 'bout Heaven ain't goin' dere
 Heaven, Heaven
 Gwunter fly all over Gawd's Heaven**

**Ah gotta song! You gotta song! All Gawd's chillen gotta song!
 When Ah git to Heaven gwunter sing a new song
 Ah'm Gwunter sing all over Gawd's Heaven
 Heaven, Heaven
 Everybody talkin' 'bout Heaven ain't goin' dere
 Heaven, Heaven
 Gwunter sing all over Gawd's Heaven**

HE'S GOT DE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS**Chorus:**

**He's got de whole world in His hands
He's got de whole wide world in His hands
He's got de whole world in His hands
He's got de whole world in His hands**

**He's got you an' me brother in His hands
He's got you an' me sister in His hands
He's got everybody here in His hands
He's got de whole world in His hands**

(Chorus)

**He's got de itsy bitsy baby in His hands
He's got de itsy bitsy baby in His hands
He's got de itsy bitsy baby in His hands
He's got de whole world in His hands**

(Chorus)

**He's got de sun an' de moon in His hands
He's got de sun an' de moon in His hands
He's got de sun an' de moon in His hands
He's got de whole world in His hands**

(Chorus)

**He's got de wind an' de rain in His hands
He's got de wind an' de rain in His hands
He's got de wind an' de rain in His hands
He's got de whole world in His hands**

(Chorus)

HIS NAME SO SWEET

**Ah jus' come from de fountain
Ah'm jus' from de fountain, Lawd
Ah jus' come from de fountain
His name so sweet**

Chorus:

**(Oh Lawd) Ah jus' come from de fountain
Ah'm jus' from de fountain, Lawd
Ah jus' come from de fountain
His name so sweet**

**Sinner do you love yo' Jesus?
Yes, yes, Ah do love ma Jesus
Sinner do you love yo' Jesus?
His name so sweet.**

(Chorus)

**Preacher do you love yo' Jesus?
Yes, yes, Ah do love ma Jesus
Preacher do you love yo' Jesus?
His name so sweet**

(Chorus)

Deacon ...

(Chorus)

Classmate ...

**(Oh Lawd) Ah jus' come from de fountain
Ah'm jus' from de fountain, Lawd
Ah jus' come from de fountain
His name so sweet**

(High ending) His name so sweet

HOLD ON!**Chorus:**

Hold on ____, hold on ____ .
 Keep yo' hand onna - de plow, hold on

(repeat softly)

Paul an' Silas went to jail
 Had nobody to make dere bail
 Keep yo' hand onna - de plow, hold on

(Chorus)

Paul an' Silas began to shout
 Jail door opened an' dey walked out
 Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on

(Chorus)

Norah, Norah lemme come in
 Doors all fastened an' de winders pinned
 Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on

(Chorus)

Norah said, “Ya lost yo' track
 Can't plow straight when yer lookin' back”
 Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on

(Chorus)

Wanna get to heaven lemme tell ya how
 Jes' keep yo' han' on de gospel plow
 Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on

(Chorus)

God gave Norah de rainbow sign
 No more water but fire next time
 Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on

(Chorus)

**When things are gittin' rough
An' you say 'enough's enough'
Keep yo' hand onna - de plow, hold on**

(Chorus)

**If dat plow stays in yo' hand
Den your straight in de Promised Land
Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on**

(Chorus)

**Keep on drivin' an don't you tire
Ev'ry rung goes higher and higher
Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on**

(Chorus)

**Mary had a golden chain
Ev'ry link spelt Jesus' name
Keep yo' hand onna – de plow, hold on**

(Chorus)

**Only chain dat a man can stand
Is de chain from hand to hand
Keep yo' eyes onna - de prize, hold on**

(Chorus)

HOLD OUT YO' LIGHT YOU HEAVEN-BOUND SOLDIER

Chorus:

**Hold out yo' light you Heaven-bound soldier
Hold out yo' light you Heaven-bound soldier
Hold out yo' light you Heaven-bound soldier
Let yo' light shine aroun' de worl'**

(repeat softly)

**O Sister, won't you hold out yo' light?
O Sister, won't you hold out yo' light?
O Sister, won't you hold out yo' light?
Let yo' light shine aroun' de worl'**

(Chorus)

**O Brother, won't you hold out yo' light?
O Brother, won't you hold out yo' light?
O Brother, won't you hold out yo' light?
Let yo' light shine aroun' de worl'**

(Chorus)

**O Sister, won't you hold out yo' light?
O Brother, won't you hold out yo' light?
O Brother! O Sister!
Let yo' light shine aroun' dis worl'**

HOME INNA DAT ROCK

Ah got a home inna dat rock don't you see?
Ah got a home inna dat rock don't you see?
Between de Earth an' sky
Thought Ah heard ma savior cry
Ah got a home inna dat rock don't you see?

Ah got a home inna dat rock don't you see?
Ah got a home inna dat rock don't you see?
Between de Earth an' sky
Ah thought Ah heard ma savior cry
Ah got a home inna dat rock don't you see?

Ol' man Lazarus po' as I, don't you see?
Ol' man Lazarus po' as I, don't you see?
Ol' man Lazarus po' as I
When he died he found a home on high
He had a home inna dat rock don't you see?

Rich man died an' he lived so well, don't you see?
Rich man died an' he lived so well, don't you see?
Rich man died an' he lived so well
When he died he found a home in Hell
He had no home inna dat rock don't you see?

God gave Noah de rainbow sign, don't you see?
God gave Noah de rainbow sign, don't you see?
God gave Noah de rainbow sign
No more water but fire next time!
Better get a home inna dat rock
Better get a home inna dat rock
Better get a home inna dat rock
Better get a home inna dat rock

(finale, with emphasis)

Better get a home up inna dat rock don't you see ____ !

HONOR! HONOR!

**King Jesus lit a candle by de waterside
To see de little chillen when dey truly baptized
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**King Jesus lit a candle by de waterside
To see de little chillen when dey truly baptized
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**O! Run along chillen! Be baptized.
Mighty pretty sittin' be de waterside
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**O! Run along chillen! Be baptized.
Mighty pretty sittin' be de waterside
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**Ah prayed al___ l day, Ah prayed al___ l night
Ma head got sprinkled wid de midnight dew
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**O! Run along chillen! Be baptized.
Mighty pretty sittin' by de waterside
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**O! Run along chillen! Be baptized.
Mighty pretty sittin' by de waterside
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

**(slow with high ending)
Honor! Honor! Unto de dyin' Lamb**

HOW LONG? NOT LONG (Before Ah reach de Promised Land)

**How long? Not long
Before Ah reach de Promised Land
How long? Not long
Before Ah make it to de Kingdom**

(Repeat)

**Jus' a few more weary days
Before Ah reach de Promised Land
Dere to sing His endless praise
Ah am on ma way to de Kingdom**

(Chorus)

**Trials may seem hard sometimes
Before Ah reach de Promised Land
Dere eternally sublime
Jus' when Ah make it to de Kingdom**

(Chorus)

**Troubles never last always
Before you reach de Promised Land
Lift yo' head an' count de days
Before you make it to de Kingdom**

(Chorus)

HUSH, CHILLEN, HUSH

Chorus:

Hush! chillen, hussshh. Somebody's callin' ma na ___me.

Hush! chillen, hussshh. Somebody's callin' ma na ___me.

Hush! chillen, hussshh. Somebody's callin' ma name.

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do?

(repeat softly)

Ah'm so glad trouble don't last always.

Ah'm so glad trouble don't last always.

Ah'm so glad trouble don't last always.

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do?

(Chorus)

Ah'm so glad got ma 'ligion in ti ___me.

Ah'm so glad got ma 'ligion in ti ___me.

Ah'm so glad got ma 'ligion in time.

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do?

(Chorus)

Soon, one mornin', Death come a - creepin' in de ro___om.

Soon, one mornin', Death come a - creepin' in de ro___om.

Soon, one mornin', Death come a - creepin' in de room.

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do?

(Chorus)

Ah'm so glad, ma soul's got a hidin' pla ___ce

Ah'm so glad, ma soul's got a hidin' pla ___ce

Ah'm so glad, ma soul's got a hidin' place

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do?

(Chorus)

Extra Verses:

Don't move ma pillow till ma Jesus comes (X3)

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do?

When Jesus comes you can turn ma bed aroun' (X3)

O ma Lawd, O ma Lawd, what shall Ah do

I AM BOUND FOR DE KINGDOM

**I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
Glory in – a – ma soul**

(repeat)

**If you git dere before I do
Glory in – a – ma soul
Tell all ma friends I'm a – comin' too
Glory in – a – ma soul**

**I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
Glory in – a – ma soul**

**Sometimes I'm up
Sometimes I'm down
Glory in – a – ma soul
But still ma soul is a-heavenly bound
Glory in – a – ma soul**

**I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
Glory in – a – ma soul**

**I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
I am bound for de Kingdom
Glory in – a – ma soul**

I AM BOUND FOR DE PROMISED LAND

**I am bound for de Promised La ____ nd
Bound for de Promised Land
O' who will come an' go wid me
I am bound for de Promised Land**

(Repeat)

I HEAR A VOICE A - PRAYIN'

Chorus:

I hear a voice a - prayin' prayin' Lawd
I hear a voice a - prayin' Ha - le - lu'
I hear a voice a - prayin' prayin'
O Lawd save-a ma soul

(Repeat)

Ev'ry time I hear a sinner pray
I keep on thinkin' 'bout de Judgment Day

Ev'ry time I hear a sinner cry
Wonder'f I'll be ready when I die

I hear a voice a - prayin' prayin' Lawd
I hear a voice a - prayin' Ha - le - lu'
I hear a voice a - prayin' prayin'
O Lawd save-a ma soul

O-oo Lawd, O Lawd save-a ma soul
O-oo Lawd, O Lawd save-a ma soul, Ha - le - lu - jah
O Lawd save-a ma soul, Ha - le - lu - jah
O Lawd save-a ma soul

I KNOW DE LAWD HAS LAID HIS HANDS ON ME

Chorus:

O I know de Lawd, I know de Lawd,
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
 O I know de Lawd, I know de Lawd,
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me

Sometimes I'm up sometimes I'm down
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
 But still ma soul is a-heavenly bound
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me

(Chorus)

If you git dere before I do
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
 Tell all ma friends I'm a-comin' too
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me

(Chorus)

Did you ever see de like before?
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
 King Je-sus preachin' to de po'
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me

(Chorus)

O wasn't it dat hap - py day?
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
 When Je-sus washed ma sins a-way
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me

(Chorus)

Some seek de Lawd but don't seek Him right
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
 Dey fool all day an' pray at night
 I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me

(Chorus)

**My Lawd's done just what He said
I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
He's healed de sick an' raised de dead
I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me**

(Chorus)

**O de man who loves to serve de Lawd
I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
Is sure to git his just reward
I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me**

(Chorus)

**O one ob dese mawnin's bright an fair
I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me
Gwunter beat ma wings an cleave de air
I know de Lawd has laid His hands on me**

(Chorus)

I'LL BE SOMEWHERE A – LIST-NIN' FOR MA NAME

(Special beginning)

**Oh where shall I be when de first trumpet sounds?
Where shall I be when it sounds so loud?
When it sounds so ___loud dat it wakes up de dead
Where shall I be when it sounds?**

(Repeat)

Chorus:

**Oh, I'll be somewhere a – list-nin'
I'll be somewhere a – list-nin'
I'll be somewhere a – list-nin' for ma name
I'll be somewhere a – list-nin'
I'll be somewhere a – list-nin'
I'll be somewhere a – list-nin' for ma name**

**When He calls me I will answer
When He calls me I will answer
When He calls me I will answer
I'll be somewhere a - listenin' for ma name**

(Chorus, ending chorus is on a high harmony)

Other verses:

**If I live right
I will answer**

**If I think right
I will answer**

**If I sing right
I will answer**

**If I talk right
I will answer**

(Alternate: I'll be somewhere a – workin' for ma Lawd)

I'M A - ROLLIN'**Chorus:**

**I'm a - rollin' I'm a - rollin' I'm a - rollin'
In an unfriendly land
I'm a rollin' I'm a - rollin'
In an unfriendly land**

(repeat)

**Oh Sister won't you help me?
Oh Sister won't you help me to pray?
Oh Sister won't you help me?
Won't you help me in de service of de Lawd?**

(Chorus)

**Oh Brother won't you help me?
Oh Brother won't you help me to pray?
Oh Brother won't you help me?
Won't you help me in de service of de Lawd?**

(Chorus)

I'M TROUBLED IN MIND

**I'm troubled. I am troubled
I'm troubled in mind
If Jesus don't help me
I surely will die**

(Repeat)

**When bowed down in sorrow
An' burdened wid grief
To Jesus in secret I go for relief**

**I'm troubled. I am troubled
I'm troubled in mind
If Jesus don't help me
I surely will die**

**(very softly)
If Jesus don't help me
I surely will die**

IN BRIGHT MANSIONS**Chorus:**

**In bright mansions above
In bright mansions above
Lawd I want to live up yonder
In bright mansions above**

(Repeat)

**Ma mother's gone to Glory
I want to go dere, too
Lawd I want to live up yonder
In bright mansions above**

(Chorus)

**Ma father's gone to Glory
I want to go dere, too
Lawd I want to live up yonder
In bright mansions above**

(Chorus)

IN DAT GREAT GITTIN' UP MORNIN'

Chorus:

**In dat great gittin' up mornin'
Fare you well, fare you well
In dat great gittin' up mornin'
Fare you well, fare you well**

**Dere's a better day a comin'
Fare you well, fare you well
Dere's a better day a comin'
Fare you well, fare you well**

(Chorus)

**Gonna tell you 'bout de comin' ob de Saviour
Fare you well, fare you well
Gonna tell you 'bout de comin' ob de Saviour
Fare you well, fare you well**

(Chorus)

**When ma Lawd speaks to His Father
Fare you well, fare you well
When ma Lawd speaks to His Father
Fare you well, fare you well**

**Says, Father, Ah'm tired of bearin'
Fare you well, fare you well
Says, Father, Ah'm tired of bearin'
Fare you well, fare you well**

(Chorus)

**Oh, Preachers, fold yo' bibles
Fare you well, fare you well
Oh, Preachers, fold yo' bibles
Fare you well, fare you well**

(Chorus)

**Prayer-makers, pray no more
Fare you well, fare you well
Prayer-makers, pray no more
Fare you well, fare you well**

(Chorus)

**Angels will be singin'
Fare you well, fare you well
Angels will be singin'
Fare you well, fare you well**

(Chorus)

I WANNA DIE EASY

**I wanna die easy when I die...
 I wanna die easy when I die ____
 I wanna die easy when I die...
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna die easy when I die...**

**I wanna go to Heaven when I die...
 I wanna go to Heaven when I die ____
 I wanna go to Heaven when I die...
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna go to Heaven when I die...**

**I wanna see ma Jesus when I die...
 I wanna see ma Jesus when I die ____
 I wanna see ma Jesus when I die...
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna see ma Jesus when I die...**

**I wanna see ma mother when I die...
 I wanna see ma mother when I die. ____
 I wanna see ma mother when I die...
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna see ma mother when I die...**

**I wanna see ma father when I die...
 I wanna see ma father when I die ____
 I wanna see ma father when I die...
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna see ma father when I die...**

**I wanna die easy when I die...
 I wanna die easy when I die ____
 I wanna die easy when I die...
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna die easy when I die...**

**(Optional ending: I wanna die shoutin' when I die (X3)
 Shout salvation as I fly
 I wanna die shoutin' when I die**

I WANT JESUS TO WALK WID ME

**I want Jesus to walk wid me
I want Jesus to walk wid me
All along ma pilgrim's journey
Lawd, I want Jesus to walk wid me**

**When I'm in trouble, Lawd walk wid me
When I'm in trouble, Lawd walk wid me
When ma head is bowed in sorrow
Lawd, I want Jesus to walk wid me**

**When Ah'm sick an' by myself
When Ah'm sick an' by myself
When my heart is almos' broken
Lawd Ah want Jesus to walk wid me**

**Hold ma hand Lawd, Lawd hold ma hand
Hold ma hand Lawd, Lawd hold ma hand
All along ma pilgrim's journey
Lawd, I want Jesus to walk wid me**

**I want Jesus to walk wid me
I want Jesus to walk wid me
All along ma pilgrim's journey
Lawd, I want Jesus to walk wid me**

I WILL NEVER TURN BACK NO MORE

**I will never turn back no more
No more, ma Lawd
No more, ma Lawd
I will never turn back no more, no more
I will never turn back no more**

(Repeat)

**Would you let Him die in vain?
Crucify yo' Lawd again?
Oh, Sinner come home
Never more to roam
I will never turn back no more**

**I will never turn back no more
No more, ma Lawd
No more, ma Lawd
I will never turn back no more, no more
I will never turn back no more**

I WILL TRUST IN DE LAWD

**I will Trust in de Lawd
I will Trust in de Lawd
I will Trust in de Lawd
Till I die.
Till I die.**

**I will Trust in de Lawd
I will Trust in de Lawd
I will Trust in de Lawd
Till I die.
Till I die.**

JESUS LAY YO' HEAD IN DE WINDER

Chorus:

Jesus, lay yo' head in de winder
 Jesus, lay yo' head in de winder
 Oh, lay yo' head in de winder
 Hear some sinner pray

(Repeat)

Some pray all day
 Some pray all night
 Dey lay dere faith one side
 But chillen when yo' heart is right
 His ear is open wide

(Chorus)

Ye deaf, ye dumb, ye bridle tongue
 His lis'nin' ears supply
 Go loose de man an' let 'im go
 Dat he may prophesy

He set me down at de table
 In spite of all ma faults
 An' den he filled ma cup from de brim to de bottom
 An' love done overflowed

(Chorus) and then leading to crescendo

Won't yer hear some sinner pray?

JESUS WALKED DIS LONESOME VALLEY

**Jesus walked dis lonesome valley
He had to walk it for Himself
Dere's nobody else could walk it for Him
He had to walk it for Himself**

Mother walked...

Father walked...

**Ah must walk dis lonesome valley
Ah got to walk it for ma self
Dere's nobody else can walk it for me
Ah got to walk it for ma self**

**You must walk dis lonesome valley
You got to walk it for yourself
Dere's nobody else can walk it for you
You go to walk it for yourself**

JOSHUA FIT DE BATTLE OB JERICHO

Chorus:

**Joshua fit de battle ob Jericho, Jericho, Jericho
Joshua fit de battle ob Jericho
An' de walls come a - tumblin' down.**

(Repeat)

**You may talk about yo' King ob Gideon,
You may talk about yo' man ob Saul
Dere's none like good ol' Joshua
At de battle ob Jericho**

(Chorus)

**Up to de walls ob Jericho,
He marched wid spear at hand,
“Go blow dem ram horns, “Joshua cried,
“ 'Cause de battle am in ma hand”**

(Chorus)

**Den de lam' ram sheep horns begin to blow,
Trumpets begin to sound
Joshua commanded de chillen to shout
And de walls come a - tumblin' down dat mornin'!**

(Chorus, with a slow high ending)

Alternate verse:

**Good mornin' brother pilgrim
Please tell me where you're bound
Pray tell me where you're trablin' to
On dis enchanted ground**

**Ma name it is po' pilgrim
To Canaan Ah am bound
Through wilderness Ah'm trablin'
To de enchanted ground**

KEEP YO' LAMPS TRIMMED AN' BURNIN'

**Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin'
Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin'
Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin'
De time is drawing nigh!**

(Repeat twice)

**Christian journey soon be over
Christian journey soon be over
Christian journey soon be over
De time is drawing nigh!**

(Repeat twice)

**Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin'
Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin'
Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin'
De time is drawing nigh!**

(Repeat twice)

KING JESUS IS A - LISTENIN'

Chorus:

King Jesus is a listenin' all day lo ___ ng
King Jesus is a listenin' all day long
King Jesus is a listenin' all day lo _____ ng
To hear some sinner pray
(Repeat)

Ah would not be a liar,
Ah tell you de reason why,
Ma Lawd might call for me,
An' Ah wouldn't be ready to die

(Chorus)

Ah would not be a sinner
Ah tell you de reason why,
Ma Lawd might call for me,
An' Ah wouldn't be ready to die

(Chorus)

Ah would not be a backslider
Ah tell you de reason why
Ma Lawd might call for me
An' Ah wouldn't be ready to die

(Chorus)

Some say dat John de Baptist,
Was nothin' more dan you,
But de Holy Bible tells us,
Dat John was a preacher too.

(Chorus)

Ah know Ah bin converted,
Ah ain't got no alarm,
Ma soul is bound to Jesus,
An' de devil can't do me no harm

(Chorus)

KUMBAYAH**Chorus:**

**Kumbayah, ma Lawd, kumbayah
Kumbayah, ma Lawd, kumbayah
Kumbayah, ma Lawd, kumbayah
Oh Lawd, kumbayah.**

**Some one's prayin' ma Lawd, kumbayah (X3)
Oh Lawd, kumbayah.**

(Chorus)

Someone's singin', ma Lawd

(Chorus)

Someone's dyin', ma Lawd

(Chorus)

Someone needs you Lawd

(Chorus)

**Come by here ma Lawd, come by here
Come by here ma Lawd, come by here
Come by here ma Lawd, come by here
Oh Lawd, come by here**

(Chorus)

LAWD, AH DONE DONE

Lawd, Ah done done
Good Lawd Ah done done
Good Lawd Ah done done
Ah done done a-what You tol' me to do

Chorus:

Good Lawd Ah done done
Good Lawd Ah done done
Good Lawd Ah done done
Ah done done a-what You tol' me to do

Tol' me to sing an' Ah done dat too
Ah done done a-what you tol' me to do
Tol' me to shout an' Ah done dat too
Ah done done a-what You tol' me to do

(Chorus, twice)

Tol' me to mourn an' Ah done dat too
Ah done done a-what you tol' me to do
Tol' me to pray an' Ah done dat too
Ah done done a-what You tol' me to do

(Chorus, twice)

LAWD, AH'M GOIN' DOWN TO DE RIBBER

**Lawd, Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm gwunter pray down by de ribber
An' de Spirit will lead me**

**Lawd, Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm gwunter kneel down by de ribber
An' de Spirit will lead me**

**Lawd, Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm gwunter sing down by de ribber
An' de Spirit will lead me**

**Lawd, Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm goin' down to de ribber
Ah'm gwunter pray down by de ribber
(High, ending)
An' de Spirit will lead me**

LAWD AH'M OUT HERE ON YO' WORD

Chorus:

**Lawd Ah'm out here on Yo' word
Lawd Ah'm out here on Yo' word
If Ah die on de battlefield
Lawd Ah'm out here on Yo' word**

**Glad Ah got ma 'ligion in time
Glad Ah got ma 'ligion in time
If Ah die on de battlefield
Glad Ah got ma 'ligion in time**

(Chorus)

**We'll shout for all de sorrows
An' sing forever more
Wid Christ an' all His army
On dat salvation shore**

(Chorus)

**Ah'm enlisted an' Ah mean to fight
Till every foe is put to flight
Though Ah may fall Ah'll bless His name
Ah'll trust in Gawd an' rise again.**

(Chorus)

LAWD AH WANNA BE A CHRISTIAN

Lawd Ah wanna be a Christian inna ma heart, inna ma heart
Lawd Ah wanna be a Christian inna ma heart
Inna ma heart, inna ma heart _____
Lawd Ah Wanna be a Christian inna ma heart

Lawd Ah wanna be like Jesus inna ma heart, inna ma heart
Lawd Ah wanna be like Jesus inna ma heart
Inna ma heart, inna ma heart _____
Lawd Ah wanna be like Jesus inna ma heart

Lawd Ah wanna be more lovin' inna ma heart, inna ma heart
Lawd Ah wanna be more lovin' inna ma heart
Inna ma heart, inna ma heart _____
Lawd Ah wanna be more lovin' inna ma heart

Lawd Ah wanna be more holy inna ma heart, inna ma heart
Lawd Ah wanna be more holy inna ma heart,
Inna ma heart, inna ma heart _____
Lawd Ah wanna be more holy inna ma heart

Ah don't wanna be like Judas inna ma heart, inna ma heart
Ah don't wanna be like Judas inna ma heart
Inna ma heart, inna ma heart _____
Ah don't wanna be like Judas inna ma heart

LAWD, HOW COME ME HEAH?

Lawd, how come me heah?
Lawd, how come me heah?
Lawd, how come me heah?
Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born
Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born

(repeat)

Dere ain't no freedom heah, Lawd
Dere ain't no freedom heah,
Dere ain't no freedom heah,
Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born.

Lawd, how come me heah?
Lawd, how come me heah?
Lawd, how come me heah?
Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born.

Dey sold ma chillen away, Lawd
Dey sold ma chillen away
Dey sold ma chillen away
Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born

Lawd, how come me heah?
Lawd, how come me heah?
Lawd, how come me heah?
Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born

(softly)

Ah wish Ah nevah wuz born

LEAD ME TO DE WATER

**Lead me to de water
Lead me to de water
Lead me to de water
To be a – baptized**

Chorus:

**(Oh) lead me to de water
(Yes) lead me to de water
Lead me to de water
To be a - baptized**

**None but de righteous
None but de righteous
None but de righteous
Shall see God**

(Chorus)

**Come to de fountain
Come to de fountain
Come to de fountain
To be a - satisfied**

(Chorus)

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

**Let us break bread together on our knees
Let us break bread together on our knees
When Ah fall on ma knees wid ma face to de rising sun,
O Lawd have mercy on me.**

**Let us drink wine together on our knees
Let us drink wine together on our knees
When Ah fall on ma knees wid ma face to de rising sun,
O Lawd have mercy on me.**

**Let us praise God together on our knees
Let us praise God together on our knees
When Ah fall down on ma knees wid ma face to de rising sun,
O Lawd have mercy on me.**

LISTEN TO DE LAMBS

Listen to de Lambs all a – cryin’
Listen to de Lambs all a – cryin’
Listen to de Lambs all a – cryin’
Ah want to go to Heaven when Ah die.

(repeat)

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd
An’ carry de young lambs in his bosom

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd
An’ carry de young lambs in his bosom

Listen to de Lambs all a – cryin’
Listen to de Lambs all a – cryin’
Listen to de Lambs all a – cryin’
Ah want to go to Heaven when Ah die.
Lawd, Ah want to go to Heaven when Ah die

Extra Verses:

Come on sister wid yo’ ups and downs
(wanna go to heaven when Ah die)
De angels waitin’ fer to give you a crown
(wanna go to heaven when Ah die)

O come on moaner an’ a-don’t be ashamed
(wanna go to heaven when Ah die)
De angels a-waitin’ for to write-a-yo’ name
(wanna go to heaven when Ah die)

O mind out brother how yo’ walk de cross
(wanna go to heaven when Ah die)
Yo’ foot might slip and yo’ soul git lost
(wanna go to heaven when Ah die)

LITTLE DAVID PLAY ON YO' HARP

Chorus:

**Little David play on yo' harp, Ha-le-lu! Ha-le-lu!
Little David play on yo' harp, Ha-le-lu!**

(Repeat)

**Little David was a shepherd boy
He played dat harp wid de greatest joy**

(Chorus)

**Little David was a shepherd boy
He killed Goliath an' shouted for joy**

(Chorus)

**Little David played a harp wid ten strings
Touch one string an' de whole harp rings**

(Chorus)

**Joshua was de son of Nun
He wouldn't quit till his work was done**

(Chorus and repeat)

Other verses:

**I tol' you once an' I tol' you twice
Dere's sinners in hell for playin' dice**

LIVE - A - HUMBLE

**A - live a - humble, humble, humble yo'self
De bell's a - done rung**

(Repeat)

**Glory an' honor, Glory an' honor, Praise de Lamb
Glory an' honor, Glory an' honor, Praise de Lamb**

**Ma Lawd done jus' what he said
Ma Lawd He healed de sick an' He raised de dead**

**A - live a - humble, humble, humble yo'self
De bell's a - done rung
Glory an' honor, Glory an' honor, Praise de Lamb
Glory an' honor, Glory an' honor, Praise de Lamb**

**Did you ever see such a man as Gawd
Who gave up His Son a - for to come and die
Who gave up His son a-for to come and die
Jus' to save ma soul from a burnin' fire**

**A - live a - humble, humble, humble yo'self
De bell's a - done rung
A - live a - humble, humble, humble yo'self
De bell's a - done rung**

**Glory an' honor, Glory an' honor, praise de Lamb
A - live a - humble, humble, humble yo'self
De bell's a - done rung**

MA GAWD IS SO HIGH

Chorus:

**Ma Gawd is so high you can't go over Him
 He's so low you can't go under Him
 He's so _____ wi _____ de you can't go 'round Him
 You must come in by an' through de Lamb**

(repeat)

**One day as Ah was walkin'
 Along de Heavenly road _____
 Ma Saviour spoke unto me
 And He filled ma heart wid Love**

(Chorus)

**Ah'll take ma gospel trumpet
 An' Ah'll begin to blo ___ w
 An' if ma Saviour helps me
 Ah'll blow wherever Ah go**

(Chorus)

**Ma Gawd made me a watchman
 High on a city wall ___
 An' if Ah am a Christian
 Ah am de lowest of all**

(Chorus)

MA GOOD LAWD DONE BIN HEAH

Chorus:

**Ma good Lawd done bin heah.
 He done - a bin heah, Yes, He's bin heah
 Ma good Lawd done bin heah.
 He's done a-bless-a-ma soul an' a – gone**

(repeat)

**Now look a - heah po' sinner
 Jes' git down on-a yo' knees
 An' ask de magic Gawd Ah serve
 To have a-mercy if you please.**

**Say ma good Lawd done bin heah.
 He done - a bin heah, Yes, He's bin heah
 Ma good Lawd done bin heah.
 He's done a-bless-a-ma soul an' a – gone**

**Ah would not be a backslider
 Ah'll tell you de reason why
 'Cuz if ma Lawd should call on me,
 Ah jes wouldn't be a - ready for to die.**

**Ma good Lawd done bin heah.
 He done - a been heah, yes He's bin heah
 Ma good Lawd done bin heah.
 He's done a bless-a-ma soul an' a – gone**

He's done a bless-a-ma soul an' a – gone

MA LAWD WHAT A MORNIN'**Chorus:**

**Ma Lawd what a mornin'
Ma Lawd what a mornin'
Ma Lawd what a mornin'
When de stars begin to fall**

(repeat)

**You'll hear de trumpet sound
To wake de nations underground
Lookin' to ma Gawd's right hand
When de stars begin to fall**

(Chorus)

**You'll hear de sinner moan
To wake de nations underground
Lookin' to ma Gawd's right hand
When de stars begin to fall**

(Chorus)

**You'll hear de Christians shout
To wake de nations underground
Lookin' to ma Gawd's right hand
When de stars begin to fall**

(Chorus)

**You'll hear de shout ob victory
To wake de nations underground
Lookin' to ma Gawd's right hand
When de stars begin to fall**

(Chorus)

**You'll weep for de rocks an' mountains
To wake de nations underground
Lookin' to ma Gawd's right hand
When de stars begin to fall**

**Ma Lawd what a mornin'
Ma Lawd what a mornin'
Ma Lawd what a mornin'
When de stars begin to fall**

MA SOUL'S BIN ANCHORED IN DE LAWD**Chorus:**

**In de Lawd, in de Lawd
Ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd
In de Lawd, in de Lawd
Ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd**

**Before Ah'd stay in hell one day,
Ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd
Ah'd sing an' pray ma self away
Ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd
Oh Lawd, ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd**

(Chorus)

**Gwunter pray an' never stop
Ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd
Until Ah reach de mountain top
Ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd
Oh Lawd, ma soul's bin anchored in de Lawd**

(Chorus)

MA WAY'S CLOUDY**Chorus:****Oh brethren, ma way, ma way's cloudy
Ma way, go send dem angels down****(repeat)****Dis is de year of jubilee
Send dem angels down
De Lawd will come an' set us free
Go send dem angels down****(Chorus)****Ol' Satan's mad an' Ah am glad
Send dem angels down
He missed a soul he thought he had
Go send dem angels down****(Chorus)**

MARY HAD A BABY

**Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby, ma Lawd**

**What did She call Him?
What did She call Him?
Mary had a baby, She called Him king Jesus
Mary had a baby, ma Lawd**

**Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby, ma Lawd**

**Where was He born?
Where was He born?
Mary had a baby, born in a manger
Mary had a baby, ma Lawd**

**Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby
Mary had a baby, ma Lawd**

NOBODY KNOWS DE TROUBLE AH'VE SEEN**Chorus:**

**Nobody knows de trouble Ah've seen
Nobody knows ma sorrow
Nobody knows de trouble Ah've seen
Glory Hallelujah**

**Sometimes Ah'm up, sometimes Ah'm down
Oh, yes, Lawd.
Sometimes Ah'm almost to de ground
Oh, yes, Lawd.**

(Chorus)

**Altho' you see me goin' long so
Oh, yes, Lawd.
Ah have ma troubles here below
Oh, yes, Lawd.**

(Chorus)

**What makes ol' Satan hate me so?
Oh, yes, Lawd.
He had me once an' he let me go
Oh, yes, Lawd.**

(Chorus)

**O brothers will you pray for me?
Oh, yes, Lawd.
O sisters will you pray for me?
Oh, yes, Lawd**

(Chorus)

O FIX ME**O - O _____ fix me****O - O _____ fix me****O - O _____ fix me****Fix me, Jesus, fix me****(repeat)****Fix me for ma long white robe****Fix me, Jesus, fix me****Fix me for ma starry crown****Fix me, Jesus, fix me****O - O _____ fix me****O - O _____ fix me****O - O _____ fix me****Fix me, Jesus, fix me****Fix me for ma dyin' day****Fix me, Jesus, fix me****Fix me for ma journey home****Fix me, Jesus, fix me****O - O _____ fix me****O - O _____ fix me****O - O _____ fix me****Fix me, Jesus, fix me**

OH FREEDOM

**Oh, freedom, oh freedom
Oh, freedom over me**

Chorus:

**An' before Ah'll be a slave
Ah'll be buried in ma grave
An' go home to ma Lawd
An' be free**

**No mo' mournin'
No mo' mournin'
No mo' mournin' over me**

(chorus)

**Dey'll be singin'
Dey'll be singin'
Dey'll be singin' over me**

(chorus)

**Dey'll be shoutin'
Dey'll be shoutin'
Dey'll be shoutin' over me**

(chorus)

**Dey'll be prayin'
Dey'll be prayin'
Dey'll be prayin' over me**

**Oh, freedom, oh freedom
Oh, freedom over me
An' before Ah'll be a slave
Ah'll be buried in ma grave
An' go home to ma Lawd
An' be free**

O GLORY**O - O Glory****O - O - O Glory****Dere is room enough in Paradise****To have a home in glory****(repeat)****Jesus ma all to Heaven is gone****To have a home in glory****He's whom Ah fix ma hopes upon****To have a home in glory****O - O Glory****O - O - O Glory****Dere is room enough in Paradise****To have a home in glory****Dis track Ah seek an' Ah'll pursue****To have a home in glory****De narrow way in Him Ah view****To have a home in glory****O - O Glory****O - O - O Glory****Dere is room enough in Paradise****To have a home in glory****(repeat, final line ending in crescendo)**

OH, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL CITY!

**Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Twelve gates into de city, a - Hallelu**

(repeat)

**Three gates inna de East
 Three gates inna de West
 Three gates inna de North
 Three gates inna de South
 Makin' it twelve gates into de city, a – Hallelu**

**Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Twelve gates into de city, a - Hallelu**

**Ma Lawd bin to dat city
 Said it was jus' a – four square
 Invited all of us sinners
 To meet Him inna de air
 Makin' it twelve gates into de city, a – Hallelu**

**Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Oh, what a beautiful city!
 Oh, what a beau- ti - ful city ____
 Twelve gates ____
 Twelve gates ____
 A – Hallelu!**

O LAWD, AH CAN'T STAY AWAY

Chorus:

**O Lawd, Ah can't stay away
O Lawd, Ah can't stay away
O Lawd, Ah can't stay away
Ah wish Ah had-a-died in Egypt's land**

(Repeat. faster)

**Down to de graveyard we must go
To see dem long graves, see dem short
Dust begins to roll on de coffin's sound ____
Friends an' relations a-standin' round**

(Chorus)

**Some come weepin' some come cryin'
Some come swearin' an' some come lyin'
When de church bells toll de solemn tone ____
To late to hypocrite an' dem who moan**

(Chorus)

**Comin' from de East, from de West dey come
Comin' from de North, from de South dey come
Comin' on de rainbow an' on de clouds ____
Gotta go to heaven to live wid Jesus**

Alternate last line:

Gotta go to judgment to stand ma trial

(Chorus and repeat)

O LAWD HAVE MERCY

**O Lawd have mercy
O Lawd have mercy
O Lawd have mercy
Have mercy on me**

**O Lawd Ah need thee
O Lawd Ah need thee
O Lawd Ah need thee
Have mercy on me**

**When Ah'm in trouble
When Ah'm in trouble
When Ah'm in trouble
Have mercy on me**

**When Ah'm burdened
When Ah'm burdened
When Ah'm burdened
Have mercy on me**

**O when Ah'm dyin'
O when Ah'm dyin'
O when Ah'm dyin'
O Lawd Ah need thee**

**O Lawd have mercy
O Lawd have mercy
O Lawd have mercy
Have mercy on me**

O MARY DON'T YOU WEEP DON'T YOU MOURN

Chorus:

**O Mary don't you weep, don't you mourn
O Mary don't you weep, don't you mourn
Pharaoh's army got drowned
O Mary don't you weep**

(Repeat)

**Some of dese mornin's bright an' fair
Take ma wings an' cleave de air
Pharaoh's army got drowned
O Mary don't you weep**

(chorus)

**When Ah git to Heaven gwunter sing and shout
Dere'll be no-one dere to turn me out
Pharaoh's army got drowned
O Mary don't you weep**

(chorus)

**When Ah git to Heaven gwunter put on ma shoes
Run a-bout glory an' tell all de news
Pharaoh's army got drowned
O Mary don't you weep**

(chorus)

**O Mary tell Martha not to mourn
O Mary tell Martha not to mourn
Pharaoh's army got drowned
O Mary don't you weep**

(chorus)

**Extra verse: Dunno what ma mother wanna stay heah for
Dis ol' worl's no friend of hers
Pharaoh's army got drowned
O Mary don't you weep**

ON MA JOURNEY NOW MOUNT ZION**Chorus:**

**On ma journey now, Mount Zion
On ma journey now, Mount Zion
An' Ah wouldn't take nothin' Mount Zion
For ma journey now, Mount Zion**

(repeat)

**One day, one day
As Ah was walkin' along
De elements opened
An' de sun shone down, Mount Zion**

(chorus)

**Well you can talk about me, Mount Zion
Jus' as much as you please, Mount Zion
Ah'll talk about you, Mount Zion
Down on ma knees, Mount Zion**

(chorus)

**Well Ah went to de valley, Mount Zion
An' Ah didn't go to stay, Mount Zion
But ma soul got happy, Mount Zion
An' Ah stayed all day, Mount Zion**

(chorus)

OPEN DE WINDOW, NOAH**Chorus:**

**Open de window, Noah, Noah
Open de window, Noah, Noah
Open de window, Noah, Noah
Open de window let de dove come in, come in**

(Repeat)

**De little dove flew in de window at dawn
Open de window let de dove come in, come in
De little dove flew in de window at dawn
Open de window let de dove come in, come in**

(Chorus)

**De little dove brought back de olive leaf
Open de window let de dove come in, come in
De little dove brought back de olive leaf
Open de window let de dove come in, come in**

(Chorus)

O PETER GO RING-A-DEM BELLS

O Peter go ring a-dem-bells
 Peter go ring-a-dem bells
 Peter go ring-a-dem bells
 Ah heard from Heaven today

Chorus:

O Peter go ring - a - dem bells
 Peter go ring - a - dem bells
 Peter go ring - a - dem bells
 Ah heard from Heaven today
 Ah heard from Heaven today
 Ah heard from Heaven today
 Ah thank Gawd an' Ah thank you too
 Ah heard from Heaven today

Wonder where sister Mary is gone
 Wonder where sister Mary is gone
 Wonder where sister Mary is gone
 Ah heard from Heaven today

(chorus)

Wonder where ma mother is gone
 Wonder where ma mother is gone
 Wonder where ma mother is gone
 Ah heard from Heaven today

O Peter go ring - a - dem bells
 Peter go ring - a - dem bells
 Peter go ring - a - dem bells
 Ah heard from Heaven today
 Ah heard from Heaven today
 Ah heard from Heaven today
 It's good news an' Ah love you too
 Ah heard from Heaven today_____

OVER MA HEAD

**Over ma head
Ah hear trouble in de air
Over ma head
Ah hear trouble in de air
Over ma head
Ah hear trouble in de air
Dere must be a Gawd somewhere**

**Over ma head
Ah hear Angels in de air
Over ma head
Ah hear Angels in de air
Over ma head
Ah hear Angels in de air
Dere must be a Gawd somewhere**

**Over ma head
Ah hear singin' in de air
Over ma head
Ah hear singin' in de air
Over ma head
Ah hear singin' in de air
Dere must be a Gawd somewhere**

**Over ma head
Ah hear music in de air...**

**Over ma head
Ah see color in de air...**

**Over ma head
Ah see glory in de air...**

PLENTY GOOD ROOM

Chorus:

**Plenty good room
 Plenty good room (clap twice)
 Good room in ma Father's Kingdom
 Plenty good room plenty good room
 Jus' choose yo' seat an' sit down**

(repeat, softly)

**Ah would not be a liar
 Ah tell you de reason why
 Ma Lawd might call for me
 An' Ah wouldn't be ready to die**

(chorus)

**Ah would not be a backslider
 Ah tell you de reason why
 Ma Lawd might call for me
 An' Ah wouldn't be ready to die**

(chorus)

**He said to Peter, James an' John
 'tis witten I must die
 To shed blood Calvary
 Go thou an' prophesy**

(chorus)

**Hosanna to de Prince ob Peace
 Who clothed Himself wid clay
 An' entered de iron gates ob Death
 An' took his sting away**

(chorus)

PO MAN LAZ'RUS

Po' man Laz'rus
Sick an' disabled
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Had to eat crumbs
From de rich man's table
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame

Rich man died he's feelin' so well
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame
An' when he died he went straight to hell
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame

Ah love to shout; Ah love to sing
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah love to praise my heavenly King
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Ah'm tormented in de flame
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'
Dip you finger in de water
Dip you finger in de water
Dip you finger in de water come an'
Cool ma tongue'cuz
Ah'm tormented in de flame

PO' MOURNER'S GOT A HOME AT LAST

Hmm - Hmmm

Hmm - Oh, ma Lawd

Hmm - Hmmm – Po' Mourner's got a home at last

(Repeat)

Mourner! Mourner!

Ain't you tired of Mournin'?

Bow down, on yo' knees

An' jine de band wid de angels

No harm, no harm

Go tell Brother Elijah!

No harm, no harm

Po' mourner's got a home at last

Sinner! Sinner!

Ain't you tired of sinnin'?

Bow down on yo' knees

An' jine de band wid de angels

No harm, no harm

Go tell Brother Elijah!

No harm, no harm

Po' mourner's got a home at last

Seeker! Seeker!

Ain't you tired of seekin'?

Bow down on yo' knees

An' jine de band wid de angels

No harm, no harm

Go tell Brother Elijah!

No harm, no harm

Po' mourner's got a home at last

Hmm - Hmmm

Hmm - Oh, ma Lawd

Hmm - Hmmm - Po Mourner's got a home at last!

(Last word in last line goes high)

RIDE DE CHARIOT IN DE MORNIN' LAWD

Chorus:

**Ride de Chariot in de mornin' Lawd
 Ride de Chariot in de mornin' Lawd
 Ah'm gittin' ready for de judgment day
 Ma Lawd
 Ma Lawd**

(repeat softly)

**Ah never shall forget de day
 Ride _____!
 Dat Jesus took ma sins away
 Ride _____!**

(Chorus)

**Gawd said ma feet were made of clay
 Ride _____!
 But now dey're on de rock to stay
 Ride _____!**

(Chorus)

**When Ah was blind an' could not see
 Ride _____!
 Kng Jesus brought a light to me
 Ride _____!**

(Chorus)

**Ride _____!
 Ride _____!
 Ride de Chariot in de mornin' Lawd
 Ride de Chariot in de mornin' Lawd
 Ah'm gittin' ready for de judgment day
 Ma Lawd
 Ma La ___ wd! (with crescendo)**

RIDE ON KING JESUS

**Ride on King Jesus
No man can a -hinder me.
Ride on King Jesus Christ
No man can a -hinder me.**

Chorus:

**O ride on King Jesus
No man can a -hinder me
Ride on King Jesus Christ
No man can a -hinder me**

**King Jesus rides on a milk-white horse
No man can a -hinder me.
De ribber Jer-dan He did cross
No man can a -hinder me.**

(Chorus)

**If you wana to find yo' way to Gawd
No man can a -hinder me.
De gospel highway must be trod
No man can a -hinder me.**

(Chorus)

**Ah was young when Ah be-gun
No man can a -hinder me.
But now ma race is al-most run,
No man can a -hinder me.**

(Chorus)

RIDE UP IN DE CHARIOT (Sooner In De Mornin')

**(Ah'm gwunter) Ride up in de chariot
 Sooner in de-mornin'
 Ride up in de chariot
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Ride up in de chariot
 Sooner in de mornin'
 An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de band!**

Chorus:

**(Singin') Oh, Lawd have – a - mercy on me
 Oh, Lawd have – a - mercy on me
 Oh, Lawd have – a - mercy on me
 An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de band!**

**(Ah'm gwunter) Walk an' talk wid Jesus
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Walk an' talk wid Jesus
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Walk an' talk wid Jesus
 Sooner-in-de-mornin'
 An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de band!**

(Chorus)

**(Ah'm gwunter) Chatter wid de Angels
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Chatter wid de Angels
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Chatter wid de Angels
 Sooner in de mornin'
 An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de band!**

(Chorus)

**(Ah'm gwunter) March aroun' de throne
 Sooner in de mornin'
 March aroun' de throne
 Sooner in de mornin'
 March aroun' de throne
 Sooner in de mornin'
 An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de band**

**(Ah'm gwunter) Ride up in de Chariot
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Ride up in de Chariot
 Sooner in de mornin'
 Ride up in de Chariot
 Sooner in de mornin'
 An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de band!**

(high ending)

An' Ah hope Ah'll jine de ba ____nd!

RISE! SHINE!

Chorus:

**O Rise! Shine! give Gawd de glory glory!
Rise! Shine! give Gawd de glory glory!
Rise! Shine! give Gawd de glory glory!
For de year ob jubilee**

(repeat chorus)

**O come on mourner, git you ready, ready
Come on mourner, git you ready, ready
Come on mourner, git you ready, ready
For de year ob jubilee**

(Chorus)

**You may keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin' burnin'
Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin' burnin'
Keep yo' lamps trimmed an' burnin' burnin'
For de year ob jubilee**

(Chorus)

**O come on chillen, don't be weary, weary
Come on chillen, don't be weary, weary
Come on chillen, don't be weary, weary
For de year ob jubilee**

(Chorus)

RISE UP SHEPHERD AN' FOLLOW

Dere's a star in de east on Christmas morn
Rise up shepherd an' follow
It will lead to de place where de Sav-iour's born
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Fo _ol_low, fo_ol_low
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Follow de Star of Beth – le - hem
Rise up shepherd an' follow

If you take good heed to de An-gel's word
Rise up shepherd an' follow
You'll for-get yo' flock, you'll forget yo' herd
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Fo _ol_low, fo_ol_low
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Follow de Star of Beth – le - hem
Rise up shepherd an' follow

Leave yo' ewes an' leave yo' lambs
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Leave yo' sheep an' leave yo' rams
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Fo _ol_low, fo_ol_low
Rise up shepherd an' follow
Follow de Star of Beth – le - hem
Rise up shepherd an' follow

ROCK –A – MA SOUL

Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock-a-ma-soul

Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock-a-ma-soul

(Singing)

Rock-a-ma-soul in de bosom of Abraham
 Rock-a-ma-soul in de bosom of Abraham
 Rock-a-ma-soul in de bosom of Abraham
 Oh, rock-a-ma-soul

(Repeat, singing)

Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock-a-ma-soul

(Staccato)

Rock – a – ma	Soul – in – de	bosom – ob - Abraham
Rock – a – ma	Soul – in – de	bosom – ob - Abraham
Rock – a – ma	Soul – in – de	bosom – ob - Abraham
Oh, rock – a – ma soul		

(Repeat, staccato)

Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock, rock, rock, rock
 Oh, rock – a – ma soul

ROLL, JERDEN, ROLL

Chorus:

**Roll Jerden, roll
Roll Jerden, roll
Ah wanna go to heaven when Ah die
To hear Jerden roll**

(Repeat)

**Oh sistah, you ought to been dere
(Yes ma Lawd)
A - sittin' in de Kingdom
To hear Jerden roll.**

(Chorus)

**Oh brother, you ought to been dere
(Yes ma Lawd)
A - sittin' in de Kingdom
To hear Jerden roll.**

(Chorus)

**Oh sinner, you ought to been dere
(Yes ma Lawd)
A - sittin' in de Kingdom
To hear Jerden roll.**

**Roll Jerdin roll
Roll Jergin roll
Ah wanna go to Heaven when I die
To hear Jerdin roll
To hear sweet Jerdin ro ____ll**

ROUND ABOUT DE MOUNTAIN

Round about de mountain
Round about de mountain
Ma Gawds a rulin'
An' she'll rise in His arms

(repeat)

De Lawd loves a sinner
De Lawd loves a sinner man
De Lawd loves a sinner
An' she'll rise in His arms

When Ah was a sinner
A - seekin' jus - a - like you
Ah went down in de valley
An' Ah prayed till Ah come through
You hypocrite, you concubine
You placed amongst de swine
You go to Gawd wid yo lips an' tongue
But you leave yo' heart behind
De Lawd loves a sinner
De Lawd loves a sinner man
De Lawd loves a sinner
An' she'll rise in His arms

Round about de mountain
Round about de mountain
Ma Gawd's a rulin'
An' she'll rise in His arms

Goin' round de mountain
Dere Ah'll take - a - ma stand
Ah heard de voice ob Jesus
Thank Gawd He's in dis land

De Lawd loves a sinner
De Lawd loves a sinner man
De Lawd loves a sinn ___ er
An' she'll ri ___ se

RUN, SINNER, RUN

Run, sinner, run
Hunt you a hidin' place
(O you better) run, sinner, run
Hunt you a hidin' pla__ace
Run, sinner, run
Hunt you a hidin' place
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' when de Lawd says, "Hurry!"

O - O Gabriel, strike dat 'vidin' li ___ine
O - O Gabriel, strike dat 'vidin' li _____ine
O - O Gabriel, strike dat 'vidin' line
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' when de Lawd says, "Hurry!"

Run, sinner, run
Hunt you a hidin' place
(O you better) run, sinner, run
Hunt you a hidin' pla__ace
Run, sinner, run
Hunt you a hidin' place
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' When de Lawd says, "Hurry!"

O - O Jesus lemme go dat heavenly w __ay
O - O Jesus lemme me go dat heavenly w _____ay
O - O Jesus lemme me go dat heavenly way
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' O ma Lawd
Inna dat mornin' when de Lawd says, "Hurry!"

SAME TRAIN

(Introduction) Same train --- same train --- same train

**Same train carry ma mother, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma mother, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma mother,
 Same train be back tomorrow
 Same train carry ma mother, same train, same train**

**Same train carry ma father, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma father, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma father,
 Same train be back tomorrow
 Same train carry ma father, same train, same train**

**Same train carry ma sister, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma sister, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma sister,
 Same train be back tomorrow
 Same train carry ma sister, same train, same train**

**Same train carry ma brother, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma brother, same train, same train
 Same train carry ma brother,
 Same train be back tomorrow
 Same train carry ma brother, same train, same train**

**Same train waitin' at de station, same train, same train
 Same train waitin' at de station, same train, same train
 Same train waitin' at de station,
 Same train be back tomorrow
 Same train waitin' at de station, same train, same train**

**Same train carry me to heaven, same train, same train
 Same train carry me to heaven, same train, same train
 Same train carry me to heaven,
 Same train be back tomorrow
 Same train carry me to heaven, same train, same train**

Same tra - a- a- ain!

SCANDALIZE MA NAME

Ah met ma neighbo' de other day,
 Ah gave her ma right hand
 But jus' as soon as ever Ah turned ma back,
 She scandalized ma name.

Now you call dat a neighbo'? No, no.
 You call dat a neighbo'? No, no.
 You call dat a neighbo'? No, no.
 Shc scandalized ma name.

Ah met ma sister de other day,
 Ah gave her ma right hand
 But jus' as soon as ever Ah turned ma back,
 She scandalized ma name.

Now you call dat a sister? No, no.
 You call dat a sister? No, no.
 You call dat a sister? No, no.
 Shc scandalized ma name.

Ah met ma deacon de other day
 Ah gave him ma right hand
 But jus' as soon as ever Ah turned ma back,
 He scandalized ma name.

Now you call dat a deacon? No, no.
 You call dat a deacon? No, no.
 You call dat a deacon? No, no.
 Hc scandalized ma name.

Ah met ma preacher de other day,
 Ah gave him ma right hand
 But jus' as soon as ever Ah turned ma back,
 He scandalized ma name.

Now you call dat a preacher? No, no.
 You call dat a preacher? No, no.
 You call dat religion? No, no.
 Hc scandalized ma name.

SINNER PLEASE DON'T LET DIS HARVEST PASS

Chorus:

**Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass
 Go an' die an' lose yo' soul at last**

**Sinner go an' see de cruel tree
 Sinner go an' see de cruel tree
 Sinner go an' see de cruel tree
 See where Christ has died for you an' me**

**Ma Gawd is a mighty man of war
 Ma Gawd is a mighty man of war
 Ma Gawd is a mighty man of war
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass**

**Sinner feel you're on yo' journey home ...
 Sinner feel you're on yo' journey home ...
 Sinner feel you're on yo' journey home ...
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass ...**

**Ah know dat ma redeemer lives ...
 Ah know dat ma redeemer lives ...
 Ah know dat ma redeemer lives ...
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass**

**Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass
 Sinner please don't let dis harvest pass
 Go an' die an' lose yo' soul at last**

SISTER MARY HAD-A BUT ONE CHILE

**O, three wise men through Jerusalem came
 Dey traveled very far
 Said, “Where is He born King of de Jews?
 For we have seen His star.”
 King Herod’s heart was troubled
 He marveled but his face was grim
 Said, “tell me where de chile may be found
 I’ll go an’ worship Him.
 I’ll go an’ worship Him.”**

**Sister Mary had –a but one chile
 Born in Bethlehem
 An’ ev’ry time de baby cried
 She’d rock it in a weary land
 She’d rock it in a weary land**

**Den an angel appeared to Joseph
 An’ gave him dis command
 “Arise an’ take – a yo’ wife an’ chile
 Go free into Egypt land.
 For yonder comes ol’ Herod’
 A wicked man an’ bold
 He’s slayin’ all de chillen
 From six to eight days old
 From six to eight days old.”**

**Sister Mary had –a but one chile
 Born in Bethlehem
 An’ ev’ry time de baby cried
 She’d rock it in a weary land
 She’d rock it in a weary land
 She’d rock it in a weary land
 She’d rock it in a weary land**

SOMEBODY'S KNOCKIN' AT YO' DOOR

**Somebody's knockin' at yo' door
Somebody's knockin 'at yo' door
Oh sinner! Why don't you answer?
Somebody's knockin at yo' door**

**Knocks like Jesus
Somebody's knockin' at yo' door
Knocks like Jesus
Somebody's knockin' at yo' door
Oh sinner! Why don't you answer?
Somebody's knockin' at yo' door**

**Can't you hear Him?
Somebody's knockin' at yo' door
Can't you hear Him?
Somebody's knockin' at yo' door
Oh sinner! Why don't you answer?
Somebody's knockin' at yo' door**

Other verses

Jesus calls you ...

Can't you trust Him? ...

Answer Jesus! ...

SOMETIMES AH FEEL LIKE A MOTHERLESS CHILE

Sometimes Ah feel like a motherless chile
Sometimes Ah feel like a motherless chile
Sometimes Ah feel like a motherless chile
A long way from ho __ me, a long way from home

Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm almost gone
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm almost gone
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah'm almost gone
A long way from ho __ me, a long way from home

Verses with:

Sometimes Ah feel like Ah never bin born again ...

Sometimes Ah feel like Ah gotta no friend ...

Sometimes Ah feel like an eagle in de air ...

Sometimes Ah feel like a motherless chile
Sometimes Ah feel like a motherless chile
Sometimes Ah feel like a motherless chile
A long way from home
A long, long way from home

SOMETIMES AH FEEL LIKE A MOURNIN' DOVE

**Sometimes Ah feel like a mournin' dove
Sometimes Ah feel like a mournin' dove
Sometimes Ah feel like a mournin' dove
Wring ma hands an' cry, cry, cry
Wring ma hands an' cry, cry, cry**

**Sometimes Ah feel like an eagle in de air
Sometimes Ah feel like an eagle in de air
Sometimes Ah feel like an eagle in de air
Spread ma wings an' fly, fly, fly
Spread ma wings an' fly, fly, fly**

**Sometimes Ah feel like Ah gotta no home
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah gotta no home
Sometimes Ah feel like Ah gotta no home
Wanna tell dis worl' good-bye, bye, bye
Wanna tell dis worl' good-bye, bye, bye**

**Sometimes Ah feel like a mournin' dove
Sometimes Ah feel like a mournin' dove
Sometimes Ah feel like a mournin' dove
Wring ma hands an' cry, cry, cry
Wring ma hands an' cry, cry, cry**

SOON AH WILL BE DONE-A-WID DE TROUBLES OB DE WORL'

Soon Ah will be done-a-wid de troubles ob de worl'

De troubles ob de worl'

De troubles ob de worl'

Soon Ah will be done-a-wid de troubles ob de worl'

Goin' home to live wid Gawd

Chorus:

(in de mornin' Lawd)

Soon Ah will be done-a-wid de troubles ob de worl'

De troubles ob de worl'

De troubles ob de worl'

Soon Ah will be done-a-wid de troubles ob de worl'

Goin' home to live wid Gawd

No more weepin' an' a-wailin'

No more weepin' an' a-wailin'

No more weepin' an' a-wailin'

Goin' to live wid Gawd

(Chorus)

Ah wana meet ma Jesus

Ah wana meet ma Jesus

Ah wana meet ma Jesus

Goin' to live wid Gawd

(Chorus)

Ah wanna meet ma mother

Ah wanna meet ma mother

Ah wanna meet ma mother

Goin' to live wid Gawd

(Chorus)

Ah'm goin' to li__ ve wid Ga __ wd!

Alternate last chorus:

Soon Ah will be done-a-wid de troubles ob de worl'

De troubles ob de worl'

De troubles ob de worl'

Gwunter shout Glory! When de worl' is a-burnin'...

Ah'm goin' to li___ ve wid Ga ___ wd!

STANDIN' IN DE NEED OB PRAYER**Chorus:**

**It's me, it's me O Lawd
Standin' in de need ob prayer
It's me, it's me O Lawd
Standin' in de need ob prayer**

**Not ma mother, not ma father
But it's me O Lawd
Standin' in de need ob prayer
Not ma brother, not ma sister
But it's me O Lawd
Standin' in de need ob prayer**

(Chorus)

**Not ma preacher, not ma deacon
But it's me O Lawd
Standin' in de need ob prayer
Not ma neighbor, not a stranger
But it's me O Lawd
Standin' in de need ob prayer**

(Chorus)

STEAL AWAY**Chorus:**

**Steal away, steal away,
Steal away to Jesus,
Steal away, steal away home,
Ah ain't got long to stay here.**

(Repeat)

**Ma Lawd calls me,
He calls me by de thunder,
De trumpet sounds within - a ma soul
Ah ain't got long to stay here.**

(Chorus)

**Ma Lawd calls me,
He calls me by de lightnin',
De trumpet sounds within - a ma soul
Ah ain't got long to stay here.**

(Chorus)

**Green trees are bendin'
Po' sinner stands a - tremblin'
De trumpet sounds within-a ma soul
Ah ain't got long to stay here.**

(Chorus)

**Tombstones are burstin'
Po' sinner stands a - tremblin'
De trumpet sounds within - a ma soul
Ah ain't got long to stay here.**

(Chorus)

SWEET JESUS**Chorus:**

**Sweet Jesus
Sweet Jesus
He's de Lily ob de Valley
De bright an' mornin' star
He's de fairest ob 10,000
Praise His Name
Praise His Name**

**Sweet Jesus
Sweet Jesus
He's de tower ob ma strength
When de worl is on fire
Praise His Name
Praise His Name**

**Ah'll take ma gospel trumpet
An' Ah'll begin to blow
An' if ma saviour helps me
Ah'll blow wherever Ah go**

(Chorus, with special high ending)

SWEET LITTLE JESUS BOY

**Sweet little Jesus boy
He made to be born in a manger
Sweet little holy chile
Didn't know who you was**

**Didn't know you'd come to save us Lawd
To take our sins away
Our eyes was blind we couldn't see
We didn't know who you was**

**Long time ago you was born
Born in a manger Lawd
Sweet little Jesus boy**

**De worl' treat you mean Lawd
Treat me mean too
But dat's how things is down here
We don't know who you is**

**You done told us how we's a tryin'
Master you done showed us how
Even when you's dyin'**

**Jus' seems like we can't do right
Look how we treated you
Gawd, please sir, forgive us Lawd
We didn't know 'twas you**

**Sweet little Jesus boy
Born a long time ago
Sweet little holy chile
An' we didn't know who you was**

SWEET TURTLEDOVE

**Sweet turtledove
 She sing – a so _____ sweet
 Muddy de waters so deep**

Chorus:

**An' we'll have a little meetin' in de mornin'
 For to hear Gabriel's trumpet blow
 Oh! Jerusalem!
 Mor ___ nin'
 Oh! Jerusalem!
 Mornin' by de light
 Don't you hear Gabriel's trumpet
 Inna dat mor ___ nin'**

**Old brother Lawd a – done took His seat
 An' leave us all de members for to follow Him**

(Chorus)

**Moses an' Aaron done – a took dere seat
 An' leave us all de members for to follow dem**

(Chorus)

**Sweet turtledove
 She sing – a so _____ sweet
 Muddy de waters so deep**

(Chorus)

SWING LOW SWEET CHARIOT

Chorus:

**Swing low, sweet Chariot
Comin' for to carry me home
Swing low, sweet Chariot
Comin' for to carry me home**

(Repeat)

**Ah looked over Jerden, an' what did Ah see?
Comin' for to carry me home
A band of Angels a-comin' after me
Comin' for to carry me home**

(Chorus)

**If you git dere before Ah do
Comin' for to carry me home
Tell all ma friends Ah'm a - comin' to
Comin' for to carry me home**

(Chorus)

**Sometimes Ah'm up, sometimes Ah'm down
Comin' for to carry me home
But still ma soul is a - heavenly bound
Comin' for to carry me home.**

(Chorus)

**De brightest day Ah ever saw
Comin' for to carry me home
When Jesus washed ma sins away
Comin' for to carry me home**

(Chorus)

TALK ABOUT A CHILE DAT DO LOVE JESUS

Talk about a chile dat do love Jesus

Here is one!

Here is one!

Talk about a chile dat do love Jesus

Here is one!

Here is one!

Chorus:

Ever since Ah heard de Gospel story

Ah bin on ma way to glory

Talk about a chile dat do love Jesus

Here is one!

Here is one!

Talk about a chile seekin' for de Kingdom

Here is one!

Here is one!

Talk about a chile seekin' for de Kingdom

Here is one!

Here is one!

Talk about a chile dat's bin redeemed...

Here is one!

Here is one!

Talk about a chile dat's bin redeemed...

Here is one!

Here is one!

(Chorus, go high on last word)

(Other verses)

Talk about a chile on de way to Heaven...

Talk about a chile dat's bearin' de crosses...

Talk about a chile dat's walkin' wid Jesus...

TELL 'EM AH'M A CHILE OB GAWD

**Well, if anybody asks you who Ah am,
Who Ah am, Who Ah am
Well, if anybody asks you who Ah am
Jes tell'em Ah'm a chile ob Gawd**

**A-meet me, Jesus, meet me
Ah want you to meet me
In de middle ob de air
When if dese wings should fail me
Ah, need you to meet me with another pair**

**Well, if anybody asks you who Ah am,
Who Ah am, Who Ah am
Well, if anybody asks you who Ah am
Jes tell'em Ah'm a chile ob Gawd**

(last line repeat slower.)

TRAMPIN'

**Ah'm-a-trampin', trampin'
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home
Ah'm-a-trampin', trampin'
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home**

(repeat, softer)

**Ah've never bin to heaven, but Ah've bin told
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home
Dat de streets up dere are paved wid gold
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home**

**Ah'm-a-trampin', trampin'
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home
Ah'm-a-trampin', trampin'
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home**

**Ah'm-a-trampin', trampin'
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home**

HALLELUJAH!

(Slow down and fade out to the end)

**Ah'm-a-trampin', trampin'
Tryin' to make a-heaven ma home**

TRYIN' TO GIT READY (To Try On Ma Long-a White Robe)

Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
-- Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

(repeat)

Ah believe, Ah believe, Ah do believe
Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe
Ma soul King Jesus will receive
Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
-- Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

Ah haven't bin to Heaven but Ah bin told
Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe
Dat de streets are pearl an' de gates are gold
Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
-- Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

Jerden's ribber is chilly an' cold
Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe
It chills de body but not de soul
-- Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
Tryin' to git ready
-- Ready -- to try on ma long-a white robe

WADE IN DE WATER**(Chorus)**

Wade in de water
Wade in de water chillen
Wade in de water
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water

(repeat)

Who's dat yonder dressed in white?
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water
Must be de chillen ob de Israelite,
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water

(Chorus)

Who's dat yonder dressed in red?
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water
Mus be de chillen dat Moses led
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water

(Chorus)

Who's dat yonder dressed in black?
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water
Must be de chillen dat Moses brought back
Gawd's a-gonna trouble de water

(Chorus)**Alternate wordings**

See dat man all dressed in white (red, black

... Gawd's a – gwunter stir up de water

WAIT TILL I PUT ON MA CROWN**Chorus:****Oh, wait till I put on ma crown****Wait till I put on ma crown****Wait till I put on ma crown****Oh, yes****Oh, yes****(reapeat softly)****Angels in paradise****Angels in paradise****Angels in paradise****Oh, yes****Oh, yes****(Chorus)****Angels surround de throne****Angels surround de throne****Angels surround de throne****Oh, yes****Oh, yes****(Chorus)****Angels sing everywhere****Angels sing everywhere****Angels sing everywhere****Oh, yes****Oh, yes****(Chorus, with super high ending!)**

WALK TOGETHER ANGELS
 (Alternate Title: Walk together Chillen')

Walk together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Walk together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Walk together angels
 Don't you git weary
 Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised Land
 Wal _ k an' never ti____re
 Walk an' never ti____re
 Walk an' 'never ti____re
 Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised Land

Shout together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Shout together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Shout together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised Land
 Shout an' never ti____re
 Sho __ ut an' never ti____re
 Shout an' never ti____re
 Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised Land

Sing together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Sing together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Sing together Angels
 Don't you git weary
 Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised Land
 Sin __ g an' never ti____re
 Sing an' never ti____re
 Sing an' never ti____re
 Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised Land

(Build to crescendo)

Dere's a great camp meetin' in de Promised La____nd

WAY BYE AN' BYE**Chorus:**

**Way bye an' bye, way bye an' bye
Ah'm a-gwunter have a good time, way bye an' bye**

(repeat)

**Ma Gawd spoke unto me, early one mornin'
"When you git up in de kingdom chile,
You gwunter have a good time, way bye an' bye**

(Chorus)

**Brothers an' sisters a-all
Early, early one mornin', ya better be ready when de roll is called
We gwunter have a good time, way bye an' bye**

(Chorus, then, high ending)

Way bye an' bye...

WAY OVER IN BEULAH LAND**Chorus:**

**Way over in Beulah Land,
Way over in Beulah Land,
We gonna have a good time
Way over in Beulah Land.**

(repeat, echo)

**We gonna walk dem golden streets
Way over in Beulah Land
Yes, we gonna walk dem golden streets
Way over in Beulah Land.**

(Chorus)

**We gonna feast on milk an' honey
Way over in Beulah Land
Yes, we gonna feast on milk an' honey
Way over in Beulah Land.**

(Chorus)

**We gonna drink dat heavenly wine
Way over in Beulah Land
Yes, we gonna drink dat heavenly wine
Way over in Beulah Land.**

(Chorus with crescendo on the final two lines)

WE ARE CLIMBIN' JACOB'S LADDER

**We are climbin' Jacob's ladder
We are climbin' Jacob's ladder
We are climbin' Jacob's ladder, chillen ob de light**

**Every round goes higher an' higher
Every round goes higher an' higher
Every round goes higher an' higher, chillen ob de light**

**Chillen do you love de light?
Chillen do you love de light?
Chillen do you love de light? Chillen ob de light.**

**If you love light why not show it?
If you love light why not show it?
If you love light why not show it? Chillen ob de light.**

**We are climbin' Jacob's ladder
We are climbin' Jacob's ladder
We are climbin' Jacob's ladder, chillen ob de light**

WE HAVE OVERCOME TODAY

**We have overcome
We have overcome
We have overcome, today**

**O, deep in ma heart
I do believe
We have overcome, today**

**We see His face
We see His face
We see His face, today**

**O, deep in ma heart
I do believe
We see His face, today**

**We all wear a crown
We all wear a crown
We all wear a crown, today**

**O, deep in ma heart
I do believe
We all wear a crown, today**

**We walk hand in hand
We walk hand in hand
We walk hand in hand, today**

**O, deep in ma heart
I do believe
We walk hand in hand, today**

**We have overcome
We have overcome
We have overcome today**

**O, deep in ma heart
I do believe
We have overcome, today**

WERE YOU DERE WHEN DEY CRUCIFIED MA LAWD?

Were you dere when dey crucified ma Lawd?
 Were you dere when dey crucified ma Lawd?
 Oh _____ sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
 Were you dere when dey crucified ma Lawd?

Were you dere when dey nailed Him to de tree?
 Were you dere when dey nailed Him to de tree?
 Oh _____ sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
 Were you dere when dey nailed Him to de tree?

Were you dere when dey pierced Him in de side?
 Were you dere when dey pierced Him in de side?
 Oh _____ sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
 Were you dere when dey pierced Him in de side?

Were you dere when de sun refused to shine?
 Were you dere when de sun refused to shine?
 Oh _____ sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
 Were you dere when de sun refused to shine?

Were you dere when dey laid Him in de tomb?
 Were you dere when dey laid Him in de tomb?
 Oh _____ sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
 Were you dere when dey laid Him in de tomb?

WE SHALL WALK THROUGH DE VALLEY IN PEACE

**We shall walk through de valley in peace
We shall walk through de valley in peace
If Jesus Himself will be our leader
We shall walk through de valley in peace**

**We will meet our loved ones dere
We will meet our loved ones dere
If Jesus Himself will be our leader
We shall walk through de valley in peace**

**Dere will be no sorrows dere
Dere will be no sorrows dere
If Jesus Himself will be our leader
We shall walk through de valley in peace**

WHEN DE SAINTS GO MARCHIN' IN

Chorus:

Oh when de Saints go marchin' in
 Oh when de Saints go marchin' in
 O Lawd Ah wanna to be in dat number
 When de Saints go marchin' in

(repeat softly)

Oh when dey crown Him Lawd of all ...
 Oh when dey crown Him Lawd of all ...
 O Lawd Ah wanna to be in dat number
 When dey crown Him Lawd of all

(chorus)

On dat Hallelujah day ...

(chorus)

Oh when de trumpet sounds de call ...

(chorus)

Oh when de sun refuse to shine ...

(chorus)

Oh when de moon turns red wid blood ...

(chorus)

Oh while de happy ages roll ...

(Alternative introduction)

We are trabin' in de footsteps
 Of dose who've gone before
 But we'll all be reunited
 On a new an' sunlit shore

WHEN ISRAEL WAS IN EGYPT'S LAND

When Israel was in Egypt's land
 Let ma people go
 Oppressed so hard dey could not stand
 Let ma people go

Chorus:

Go down, Moses, 'way down in Egypt's land
 Tell ol' Pharaoh, "Let ma people go."

"Thus said de Lawd," bold Moses said:
 "Let ma people go
 If not I'll smite yo' first-born dead
 Let ma people go."

(Chorus)

O let us all from bondage flee
 Let ma people go
 O let us all in Christ be free
 Let ma people go

Alternate verses:

De Lawd tell Moses what to do
 To lead de chillen ob Israel through

No more shall dey in bondage toil
 Let dem come out wid Egypt's spoil

When Israel out of Egypt came
 And left de proud oppressive land

O 'twas a dark an' dismal night
 When Moses led de Israelites

'Twas good old Moses an' Aaron, too
 'Twas dey dat let de armies through

**De Lawd told Moses what to do
To lead de chillen' ob Israel through**

**O come along Moses, you'll not get lost
Stretch out yo' rod an' come across**

**As Israel stood by de water side
At de command ob God it did divide**

**When dey had reached de other shore
Dey sang de song ob triumph o'er**

**Pharaoh said he would go across
But Pharaoh an' his host were lost**

**O Moses de cloud shall clear de way
A fire by night, a shade by day**

**You'll not get lost in de wilderness
Wid a lighted candle in yo' breast**

**Jerden shall stand up like a wall
An' de walls ob Jericho shall fall**

**Your foes shall not before you stand
An' you'll possess fair Canaan's land**

**'Twas just about in harvest time
When Joshua led his host divine**

**We need not always weep an' moan
An' wear dese slavery chains forlorn**

WHERE SHALL AH BE (When De First Trumpet Sounds?)

**Oh, Where shall Ah be
When de first trumpet sounds?
Where shall Ah be
When it sounds so loud?
When it sounds so-oo loud
Dat it wakes up de dead
Where shall Ah be when it sounds?**

**Gwunter try on ma robe
When de first trumpet sounds
Try on ma robe
When it sounds so loud
When it sounds so-oo loud
Dat it wakes up de dead
Try on ma robe when it sounds**

**Gwunter try on ma crown
When de first trumpet sounds
Try on ma crown
When it sounds so loud
When it sounds so-oo loud
Dat it wakes up de dead
Try on ma crown when it sounds**

**Oh, Where shall Ah be
When de first trumpet sounds?
Where shall Ah be
When it sounds so loud?
When it sounds so-oo loud
Dat it wakes up de dead
Where shall Ah be when it sounds?**

YOU BETTER MIN'**Chorus:**

**You better min', you better min'
You gotta give an account in judgment
You better min'!**

(repeat softly)

**You better min' how you talk
You better min' what you talk about
You gotta give an account in judgment
You better min'!**

(Chorus)

**You better min', how you sing
You better min', what you sing about
You gotta give an account in judgment
You better min'!**

(Chorus)

**You better min' how you shout
You better min' what you shout about
You gotta give an account in judgment
You better min'!**

(Chorus, retard last two lines)

YOU GOT TO MOVE

Chorus:

You got to move
You got to move
You got to move, chile
You got to move
'Cuz when de Lawd gits ready
You got to move

Repeat

You may be high
You may be low
You may be rich, chile
You may be po'
But when de Lawd gits ready
You got to move

(Chorus)

You see de woman on de street
You see de popo on de beat
An' when de Lawd gits ready
You got to move

(Chorus)

You got to move
You got to move
You got to move, chile
You got to move
Now when de Lawd gits ready
You got to move

A word about Spirituals:

Millions of Africans were brought to the new world as its nations sought labor for its fields from the 16th to the 19th centuries. This may have been the largest forced migration in history.

In the southern portion of the United States, they were enslaved and considered little more than property. The deep sorrow these people felt from the rending of family, friends, tribe and culture had them respond, in part, by singing to lift their spirits and keep hope alive.

Negro slaves in America found Christianity as a source of hope for their future as well as solace for their present. The songs, often the result of spontaneous expressions of spirit, either by an individual or group, were solely a creation of the enslaved Negro. By combining their own cultural heritage of story telling, simple to complex polyrhythms and knowledge of Biblical stories and other American traditions they developed a unique form of art. These songs have a wide range of affect and theme. There is hope and despair, joy and sorrow, life and death as well as redemption.

Overall there is a constant refrain hailing a peoples struggle to be free and so there are songs of patience, forbearance, love, faith and a hope for deliverance. Also, many songs were a means of transmitting messages of escape plots, “Steal Away” and routes to freedom, “Follow the Drinking Gourd.”

Songs from this time and place became called “Spirituals.” These songs have survived into the present day but have had trials of their own. From the end of the Civil War and into the 19th century there were those, eminent in the African American community, who thought such songs were best forgotten, what would be the purpose of saving “plantation songs?”

However as early on as 1871 there was a group, the Fisk Jubilee Singers, who used those very songs in a concert tour of the United States and Europe. They introduced the Americans and Europeans to these songs. Hampton College and Tuskegee also sponsored singing groups to preserve the traditional music and lyrics. Still later, in the 20th century, famous singers such as Paul Robeson and Marian Anderson brought this music into the highest points of celebrity. Today, there are composers, such as Roland Carter or Moses Hogan who have expanded on the repertoire of Spirituals by composing original pieces in this musical form.

These songs are a part of the story of America and therefore we must preserve and keep alive the cultural heritage of Spirituals which celebrate the trials, tribulation

and triumphs of the Black experience, for they support the rich cultural heritage and provide a resource needed as we all forge ahead to claim the legacy of our inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

A word about the University of Light's Jubilee Singers:

Active in the San Francisco area for over a quarter century the University of Light's Jubilee Singers are led and inspired by the honorable Light Devoy Harris. Sometimes numbering only a handful or at others times more than a dozen, this changing collective has found, rescued really, many Spirituals from obscurity. This group has practiced them using the simplest of means, the oral tradition, to preserve and transmit them into the future.

This songbook was the result of this long effort to find and learn these songs. When, over the years, verses were altered as older versions were found or new songs surfaced -we realized a need to keep an accurate record and we began compiling this collection. Although Mr. Harris has been the prime resource for many of these pieces, old books, recordings and visiting singers have all provided contributions.

It is our hope that, someday, we might record each of these songs, as we sing them, so that, along with the songbook containing the lyrics one would be able to understand the melodies as well and thus be able to learn, sing and enjoy them as we have.

**The University of Light
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