Five Feet High And Risin Johnny Cash 4/4 John R. Cash Recorded 3/12/59 Five Feet High and Risin Standard Tuning Capo 1 Intro: A Strum Once No Chord How high s the water, Mama? Α Two feet high and risin . Α How high s the water, Papa? Α Two feet high and risin . / A We can / make it to the road, in a homemade boat, / A That s the / only thing we got left that ll float, /Ε It s / already over all the wheat and the oats, Е _ Α Two feet high and risin . С How high s the water, Mama? С Three feet high and risin C How high s the water, Papa? С Three feet high and risin . / C Well, the / hives are gone, I ve lost my bees. / C The / chickens are sleepin in the willow trees. G Cow s in water up past her knees, G Three feet high and risin . D How high s the water, Mama? D Four feet high and risin . D How high s the water, Papa? D

Four feet high and risin . D Hey, come look through the window pane, / A The / bus is comin , gonna take us to the train Α Looks like we ll be blessed with a little more rain, Α D Four feet high and risin Е How high s the water, Mama? \mathbf{E} Five feet high and risin . Е How high s the water, Papa? Ε Five feet high and risin . / E Well, the / rails are washed out north of town, E We gotta head for higher ground, / B We / can t come back, till the water comes down, в \mathbf{E} Five feet high and risin . / Ε Well, it s / five feet high and risin .

Intro: My Mama always taught me that good things come from adversity. If we
put our faith in the Lord.
couldn t see much good in the flood waters, when they were causin us to have to
leave home. But when the
went down, we found that it had washed a load of rich black bottom dirt across
our land.
The followin year we had the best cotton crop we d ever had. I remember hearin
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