

Goin To Memphis
Johnny Cash

N/C

Bring a drink of water Leroy bring a drink of water (no)

N/C

If I could get to mercy man he s give me some I know

N/C

I got a gal in Vicksburg Bertha is her name

M/C

Wish I s tied to Bertha instead of this ball and chain

N/C

B

I m goin to Memphis (that s right Lord) yeah (uh huh)

B

A due took all my money wouldn t let me see the cards

B

F#

B

I owe the boss about a hundred years for sleepin in his backyard

B

I m goin to Memphis (yeah Memphis) yeah I m goin to Memphis (now)

B

E

Like a bitter weed I m a bad seed

E B

But when that levee s thru and I am too

B

F#

B

Let the honky tonk roll on come mornin I ll be gone

B

I m goin to Memphis yeah Memphis

B

I never been to Chicago but it must be a mighty fine place (that s right)

B

F#

B

I couldn t get past Tennessee with Mississippi all over my face (uh huh)

B

I m goin to Memphis (that s right Lord Memphis)

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B/

F#/

B/

Well the freezin ground at night is my own foldin bed

B/

B/

F#/

B

Polk salad is my bread and meat and it will be till I m dead

B

Well I brought me a little water in a Mr Prince Albert can

B

F#

B

But the bossman caught me drinkin it and I believe he broke my hand (hm hm)

B

They all call me crazy for sassin Mr Scott

B **F#** **B**
My brother was killed for a deed I did but I disremember what (yeah)

B
Well another boy is down the shovel burned him out

B **F#** **B**
Let me stand on his body to see what the shoutin s about

B
I m goin to Memphis yeah I m goin to Memphis hmm

Like a bitter weed I m a bad seed
But when the levee s thru and I am too
Let the honky tonk roll on come mornin I ll be gone
I m goin to Memphis yeah Memphis