

Working Man Blues

Merle Haggard

[Intro]

A7 (8 bars)

[Verse 1]

A
It s a big job just gettin by with 9 kids and a wife

I been a workin man dang near all my life

D7
I ll be working

A
long as my two hands are fit to use

E7
I ll drink my beer in a tavern,

D7 A
sing a little bit of these working man blues

[Verse 2]

(same as verse 1)

I keep my nose on the grindstone, I work hard every day
might get a little tired on the weekend, after I draw my pay
but I ll go back workin,
come Monday morning I m right back with the crew
I ll drink a little beer that evening,
sing a little bit of these working man blues

[Verse 3]

(same as verse 1)

Hey hey, the working man, the working man like me
I ain t never been on welfare, that s one place I won t be
cause I ll be working
long as my two hands are fit to use
I drink a little beer in a tavern
sing a little bit of these working man blues

[Solo]

(one verse)

[Verse 4]

(same as verse 1)

Sometimes I think about leaving, do a little bummin around
I wanna throw my bills out the window catch a train to another town
but I go back working
I gotta buy my kids a brand new pair of shoes
yeah drink a little beer in a tavern,
cry a little bit of these working man blues

[Verse 3]

(same as verse 1)

yeah drink a little beer in a tavern,
cry a little bit of these working man blues