

## Jerry Douglas

### "Dark As A Dungeon"

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Come all you young fellows so young and so fine  
And seek not your fortune way down in the mine  
It will form like a habit and seep in your soul  
Till the stream of your blood flows as black as the coal

(Chorus:)

It's dark as a dungeon and damp as the dew  
The danger is doubled and the pleasures are few  
Where the rain never falls and the sun never shines  
It's dark as a dungeon way down in the mine

There's many a man I have seen in my day  
Who lived just to labor his whole life away  
Like the fiend with his dope and the drunkard his wine  
A man can have lust for the lure of the mine

(Chorus)

Oh when I am dead and the ages shall roll  
My body will blacken and turn into coal  
Then I'll look from the door of my heavenly home  
And pity the miner a-digging my bones

(Chorus)

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