

# Johnny Cash

## "I'm Going To Memphis"

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Bring a drink of water Leroy  
Bring a drink of water, no  
If I could get to the mercy man  
He'd give me some I know

I got a gal in Vicksburg  
Bertha is her name  
Wish I's tied to Bertha  
Instead of this ball and chain

I'm goin' to Memphis, that's right Lord, yeah

A dude took all my money  
Wouldn't let me see the cards  
I owe the boss about a hundred years  
For sleepin' in his backyard

I'm goin' to Memphis, yeah Memphis  
Yeah I'm goin' to Memphis

Like a bitter weed, I'm a bad seed  
But when that levee's through and I am too  
Let the honky tonk roll on  
Come mornin' I'll be gone

I'm goin' to Memphis, yeah Memphis

I never been to Chicago  
But it must be a mighty fine place, that's right  
I couldn't get past Tennessee  
With Mississippi all over my face

I'm goin' to Memphis, that's right Lord, Memphis

Well, the freezin' ground at night  
Is my own foldin' bed  
Pork salad is my bread and meat  
And it will be till I'm dead

Well, I brought me a little water  
In a Mr. Prince Albert can  
But the boss man caught me drinkin' it

And I believe, he broke my hand

They all call me crazy for sassin' Mr. Scott  
My brother was killed for a deed I did  
But I dis remember what, yeah

Well another boy is down  
The shovel burned him out  
Let me stand on his body  
To see what the shoutin's about

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