

Johnny Tillotson

"This Ole House"

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This ole house once I knew my children
This ole house once I knew my wife
This ole house was joy and comfort
As we fought the storms of life

This ole house once rang with laughter
This ole house heard many a shouts
Now she trembles in the darkness
When the lightning walks about

I ain't a gonna need this house no longer
Ain't a gonna need this house no more
Ain't got time to fix the shingles
Ain't got time to fix the floor

Ain't got time to oil the hinges
Nor to mingle the window panes
I ain't gonna need this house no longer
I'm gettin' ready to meet the saints

This ole house is a gettin' shaky
This ole house is a gettin' old
This ole house stands in the rain
This ole house stands in the cold

Oh my knees are gettin' chilly
But I feel no fear or pain
Cause I can see an angel peekin'
Through a broken window pane

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This ole house is afraid of thunder
This ole house is afraid of storms

This ole house just groans and trembles
When the night come flings his arms

This ole house is a gettin' feeble
This ole house is a needin' paint
Just like me it's tuckered out
But I'm gonna get ready to meet the saints

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