

## Lonnie Johnson

### "Ball And Chain Blues"

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Standing in the rain by the lamppost, next to the curb  
and snow.

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Wanting to see the one I love, is leavin' me all alone.

People the worried blues, stood by me the whole night  
through.

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I say, "Blues, what do you think I can do with you?"

I meet two people, I don't know your names.

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But the blues is weighting my poor heart down, just like  
a ball and chain.

People I once had a good wife, but those days are  
passed by.

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passed by.

Ah, these triflin' women, has made me throw my happy  
home life.

If you get a good wife, try an' try to keep her home.

If you get a good wife men, do all you can to keep her  
home.

'Cause there's women now, only soon lead a good man  
roam.

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