

## **Mahalia Jackson**

# **"Bless This House"**

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Bless this house  
O Lord we pray  
Make it safe  
By night and day

Bless these walls  
So firm and stout  
Keeping want  
And trouble out

Bless the roof  
And chimneys tall  
Let thy peace  
Lie overall

Bless this door  
That it may prove  
Ever open  
To joy and love

Bless these windows  
Shining bright  
Letting in God's  
Heavenly light  
Bless the hearth  
Ablazing there  
With smoke ascending  
Like a prayer

Bless the people  
Here within  
Keep them pure  
And free from sin

Bless us all  
That we may be  
Fit O Lord  
To dwell  
With Thee

Bless us all  
That one day

We may dwell  
O Lord  
With Thee

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