

Skip James

"Hard Time Killing Floor Blues"

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Nehemiah Curtis 'Skip' James

Skip James - vocal, guitar and piano

Album: Blues From The Delta

From Vanguard 'Today!' album 1966

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Hard time's is here

An ev'rywhere you go

Times are harder

Than th'ever been befo'

Um, hm-hm

Um-hm

Um, hm-hm

Um, hm-hm-hm

You know that people

They are driftin' from do' to do'

But they can't find no heaven

I don't care where they go

Um, hm-hm

Um-uh-hm

Mm-hm-hm

Um, hm-hm-hm

People, if I ever can get up

Off a-this old hard killin' flo'

Lord, I'll never get down

This low no mo'

Um, hm-hm-hm

Hm, um-hm

Hm, hm-hm

Hm, hm-hm-hm

Well, you hear me singin'

This old lonesome song

People, you know these hard times

Can't last us so long

Hm, hm-hm
Hmm, hmm
Hm, hm-hm
Hm, hm-hm, oh Lord

You know, you'll say you had money
You better be sho'
But these hard times gon' kill you
Just drive a lonely soul

Um, hm-hm
Umm, hmm
Umm, hm-hm
Hm, hm-hm-hm

(guitar)

Umm-hm
Hmm-hm-hm
Umm-hm
Hm-hm-hm
Hmm, hm-hm-hm

(guitar to end)

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