# Once Was a Gambler

## Lightnin' Hopkins

Yeah, you know I once was a gambler
But I lost my money roll
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Boy, but I lost my money roll
That's the reason I don't have no sweet woman
Now I done lost my happy homeYou take it down when you lose that no good money
He sat around with his head hung down
When you lose that old dog gone money
You sit around with your head hung down
You will try to borrow you fifty dollars
To start all over again in another townToo late you gonna lose
Your friends don't pay you no moneyBaby, if you only will forgive me
I won't gamble no more
If you only will forgive me, baby
Lord, have mercy, poor Lightnin' won't gamble no moreShe says I can't help you now
Sold out to the devil and that's no way to go
And I couldn't help but cry
I cried like I didShe said I didn't want you to gamble, Lightnin'
You know who I am, I'm your wife
She said I didn't want you to gamble, Lightnin'
You know who I am, I am your wife
She's looking at, brother, just like you lost your money
You had a good chance to lose your lifeSo go ahead on, Lightnin'

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