

# The Devil Went Down to Georgia

## Charlie Daniels

The devil went down to Georgia  
He was looking for a soul to steal  
He was in a bind 'cause he was way behind  
And he was willin' to make a deal

When he came across this young man  
Sawing on a fiddle and playing it hot  
And the devil jumped up on a hickory stump  
And said, "Boy let me tell ya what"

'I guess you didn't know it  
But I'm a fiddle player too  
And if you'd care to take a dare  
I'll make a bet with you'

'Now you play pretty good fiddle boy  
But give the devil his due  
I'll bet a fiddle of gold against your soul  
'Cause I think I'm better than you"

The boy said, "My names Johnny, and it might be a sin  
"But I'll take your bet  
Your gonna regret  
'Cause I'm the best that's ever been"

Johnny rosin up your bow  
And play your fiddle hard  
'Cause hell's broke loose in Georgia  
And the devil deals the cards

And if you win you'll get  
This shiney fiddle made of gold  
But if you lose the devil  
Gets your soul

The devil opened up his case  
And he said "I'll start this show"  
And fire flew from his finger tips  
As he rosined up his bow

And he pulled the bow across the strings  
And it made an evil hiss  
Then a band of demons joined in  
And it sounded something like this

When the devil finished Johnny said  
"Well, you're pretty good ol' son  
But set right in that chair right there  
And let me show you how it's done"

Fire on the mountain, run boys run  
Devil's in the house of the rising sun  
The chicken in the bread pan peckin' out dough  
Granny does your dog bite, no child, no

The devil bowed his head  
'Cause he knew that he'd been beat  
And he laid that golden fiddle  
On the ground at Johnny's feet

Johnny said, "Devil just come on back  
If you ever want to try again  
"I done told you once you son of a gun  
I'm the best there's ever been'  
And he played

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