

Backwater Blues

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There's trouble's takin' place in the lowlands at nightAnd I'm backwater blues done call me to pack my things
and go

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'Cause my house fell down, can't live there no more, no moreWhen it rains five days and the skies turn dark as
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There's trouble's takin' place in the lowlands tonightI woke up this mornin', can't even get out of my door
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There's been so much trouble, make a poor boy

Wonder where he wanna goAnd I'm backwater blues done call me to pack my things and go
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'Cause my house fell down, can't go there no more, noWhen it thunders and lightnin' and the wind begins to
blow

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There's thousands of people ain't got no where to go, noAnd I'm backwater blues done call me to pack my
things and go

And I'm backwater blues done call me to pack my things and go

'Cause my house fell down, can't go there no more, noOh, the rain's pourin', baby, yesI went out to the
lonesome, high old lonesome hill

I went out [Incomprehensible], high old lonesome hill

I looked down on that place where I used to liveAnd I'm backwater blues done call me to pack my things and go

And I'm backwater blues done call me to pack my things and go

'Cause my house fell down, can't go home no more, noAnd I'm backwater blues, and I'm backwater blues

And I'm backwater blues, and I'm backwater blues

Yeah, my house fell down, can't go home no more

No more, no more

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