

# House of the Rising Sun

**Jerry Reed**

There is a house in New Orleans  
They call the Rising Sun,  
And it's been the ruin for many a poor boy,  
And God, I know I'm one. My mother was a tailor,  
Sewed my new blue jeans.  
My father was a gambling' man  
Down in New Orleans. Now, the only thing a gambler needs  
Is a suitcase and a trunk,  
And the only time he'll be satisfied  
Is when he's all drunk. Oh, Mother, tell your children  
Not to do what I have done,  
Spend your lives in sin and misery  
In the house of the Rising Sun. Well, I've got one foot on the platform,  
The other foot on the train.  
I'm going back to New Orleans  
To wear that ball and chain. Well, there is a house in New Orleans  
They call the Rising Sun,  
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And God, I know I'm one.

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