Dark as a Dungeon

Merle Travis

Oh come all you young fellers so young and so fine

Seek not your fortune in a dark dreary mine

It'll form as a habit and seep in your soul

Till the stream of your blood runs as black as the coal

Where it's dark as a dungeon damp as the dew danger is double pleasures are few

Where the rain never falls the sun never shines

It's a dark as a dungeon way down in the mine

Well it's many a man that I've seen in my day

(uh huh no laughin' during this song please it's bein' recorded)

Like a fiend with his dope and a drunkard with his wine

A man will have lust for the lure of the mine

And pray when I'm dead and my ages shall roll

That my body would blacken and turn into coal

Then I'll look from the door of my heavenly home

And pity the miner digging my bones

Where it's dark as a dungeon

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