

Jailhouse Blues

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Lord, this house is goin' to get raided, yes, sir
Thirty days in jail with my back turned to the wall, turned to the wall

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Look here, Mr. Jail-keeper, put another gal in my stall
I don't mind bein' in jail, but I got to stay there so long, so long

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When every friend I have is done shook hands and gone
You better stop your man from tickling me under my chin, under my chin

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'Cause if he keeps on tickling, I'm sure gonna take him on in
Good morning, blues, blues, how do you do? How do you do?

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Say, I just come here to have a few words with you

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