

## Shoeshine Johnny

Guardian

Shoeshine Johnny's just doin' time  
Settin' up shop at the five and dime  
Seen a whole lot of miles... got a few more to go  
Everyone says he's a humble man  
Tell ya bout life like no one can  
With a wink and a smile he'd let ya know  
All kinda people come from miles around  
Just to hear Johnny tell his stories  
Talk about the days gone by  
Talkin' bout future glory  
Round round round lie goes  
Tell you how the good Lord knows  
He'd be shinin' most every day  
Sit right down listen what he says

Some like to play with fire  
But there's a love that's higher  
And you know the Lord's been good to me for sure  
Hard times can come and go  
But one thing for sure I know  
When I die  
The richest man I'll be

Lookin' back I remember the times  
laughin-and-a-jokin-and-a-feelin fine  
Ol' Johnny pick You up when you're feelin' low  
His words hang on in my memory  
The dusty Ol' book that he read to me  
Even now I'm grown they speak to me  
What gains a man to win the world  
But lose his very soul  
Riches of the Promised Land  
Much better than silver and gold  
Oh how wise is he that makes the Lord his company  
Fearless of the days to come  
Knowin' that the battles won

Listen son lie said to me  
Jesus died to set us free  
You're old enough it's time to chose  
With the Lord you'll never lose  
Beat them everlasting blues