

## Take A Message To Mary

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These are the words of a frontier lad  
Who lost his love when he turned bad

Take a message to Mary  
But don't tell her where I am  
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But don't say I'm in a jam  
You can tell her I had to see the world  
Tell her that my ship set sail  
You can say she better not wait for me  
But don't tell her I'm in jail  
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Take a message to Mary  
But don't tell her what I've done  
Please don't mention the stagecoach  
And the shot from a careless gun  
You can tell her I had to change my plans  
And cancel out the wedding day  
But please don't mention my lonely cell  
Where I'm gonna pine away  
Until my dying day

Take a message to Mary  
But don't tell her all you know  
My heart's sinking for Mary  
Lord knows I miss her so  
Just tell her I went to Timbuktu  
Tell her I'm searching for gold  
You can say she better find someone new  
To cherish and to hold  
Oh Lord this cell is cold

Mary, Mary

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