

Let The Mermaids Flirt With Me

Mississippi John Hurt

C **G** **C** **F** **C**
Blues all on the ocean, blues all in the air;
F **C** **D** **G**
Can't stay here no longer, I have no steamship fare.
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When my earthly trials are over, cast my body out in the sea;
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Save on the undertaker bill - let the mermaids flirt with me!

I do not work for pleasure; earthly peace I'll see no more;
The only reason I work at all is to drive the wolf from my door.
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My wife controls our happy home; my sweetheart I cannot find.
The only thing I can call my own is a troubled and a worried mind.
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Blues all in my body; my darlin' has forsaken me.
If I ever see her face again, have to travel 'cross the sea.
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