

# To The Shining Mountains

Johnny Cash

Yes, went they through the Lehigh Valley  
To Lake Erie past Virginia  
And the land called out its challenge  
Bring your men to match our mountains  
See the green Ohio Valley  
See the Cumberland, the Wabash

On the Tennessee they floated  
On great rafts to the Mississippi  
And the Cherokee and Shawnee  
And the Creek and The Ojibwa  
And the Choctaw and the Quapaw  
And all the tribes along the rivers

... that they were coming  
That the white man was upon them  
They built their homes along the rivers  
Built their churches, brought their preachers  
Came upon the white misery  
Stopped before the shining mountains

Many died from the beginning  
For the freedom of America  
Like that day down in New Orleans