

# Birth Of The Blues

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It started a long time  
it started a long time  
it started a long time ago

It started with a whip  
and a man went down  
a boot on his head as he laid on the ground  
but he didn't die  
he got up  
and start walking down that road

And the man was a black man  
the man was a proud black man  
try-y-ing to go home  
and the man is hurt  
his bloods on the ground  
he needs some help  
but he's got no-one around

So he digs down to his soul  
and sings a song that goes a little somethin' like this

And the devil was there  
the devil was there  
you better believe the devil was there that day  
but the devil wasn't walking with the black man  
no the devil wasn't walking with the proud black man  
no the devil was wiping the blood off his boots that day

And I can guarantee you brothers and sisters  
within a hundred and ten percent accuracy baby  
that jesus was walking with the black man that day  
that's the birth of the blue-es