## **Shackles and Chains**

## Merle Haggard

On a long lonesome journey I'm going
Oh darling, please don't you cry
Though in shackles and chains they will take me
To a prison to stay till I die

And at night through the bars, I will gaze at the stars And long for your kisses in vain And the Bible I'll use for my pillow My companions will be shackles and chains

Let your arms through the bars once more darling Let me kiss those sweet lips I love best In heartache you're my consolation In sorrow my haven of rest

And at night through the bars I will gaze at the stars The plans that we made were in vain And the Bible I'll use for my pillow While I'm sleeping in shackles and chains I'll be sleeping in shackles and chains