

## Instead

Ricky Skaggs

When I was brought to judgment  
'Twas nothing I could say  
And guilty was the verdict  
Still I am walking free today

And I am the chief of sinners  
Should have been left for dead  
My penalty, death on a tree  
Jesus paid instead

When I did waste my blessing  
A squandered precious gift  
Upon the Shepherd's shoulder  
This lost lamb he did lift

And I am the chief of sinners  
Should have been left for dead  
My penalty, death on a tree  
Jesus paid instead

When on a road to nowhere  
Bound to end with God's wrath  
I drew the fire aimed at me  
The he stepped into its path

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Should have been left for dead  
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Jesus paid instead