

TEN COMMANDMENT BLUES

WORDS AND MUSIC
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The Ten Commandment Blues

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Tempo di Doleful

Piano

f *dim.* *e cresc.*

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand plays a series of chords and eighth notes, while the left hand provides a steady bass line. The tempo is marked 'Tempo di Doleful' and the dynamics range from forte (*f*) to a dynamic decrease (*dim.*) followed by a slight increase (*e cresc.*).

We all have our trou - les, O - ver things we can't do;
Now may - be you think that I should nev - er com - plain,

The first line of lyrics is accompanied by piano accompaniment. The right hand plays a melody with eighth notes, and the left hand plays a bass line with chords. The dynamics are marked *p* (piano).

Life's so full of prob - lems, That make me feel blue.
Some folks have their wor - ries, That drive them in - sane.

The second line of lyrics is accompanied by piano accompaniment. The right hand plays a melody with eighth notes, and the left hand plays a bass line with chords. The dynamics are marked *p* (piano).

My soul is so dole - ful, So I'm ask - ing you
But all of these shalt nots They give me a pain,

The third line of lyrics is accompanied by piano accompaniment. The right hand plays a melody with eighth notes, and the left hand plays a bass line with chords. The dynamics are marked *p* (piano).

Now do you much blame me If I feel as I do. —
 I'm so reg-u - lat - ed, That I sing this re - frain. —

CHORUS

I got the ten, — I got the ten, — I got the ten com-mand-ment

Blues, I'm down and out and have no doubt the rea-son is — I have too man-y don'ts to

wor-ry a - bout I'd like to do — a thing or two — But

try and find some fun that ain't ta - boo, Thou shalt not steal or

kill, or cov-et, Thou shalt not (M-m-m) but gosh, how I love it That mel-o-dy
(Hum)

haunts me, I know yield-ing is sin, I got the ten, I got the

ten, I got the ten com-mand-ment Blues. I got the Blues.