

**INTRO**

Bass Line **(x2)**  
Guitar joins **(x2)**

**Dm**

I had me a wife, I had me some daughters.  
I tried so hard, I never knew still waters.  
Nothing to eat and nothing to drink.

**Dm**

Nothing for a man to do but sit around and think.

**Dm** **Am** **Dm**  
Nothing for a man to do but sit around and think.

**Dm**

Well, I'm a-thinkin' and a-thinkin', till there's  
nothin' I ain't thunk.  
Breathing in the stink, till finally I stunk.  
It was at that time, I swear I lost my mind.

**Dm**

I started making plans to kill my own kind.

**Dm** **Am** **Dm**  
I started making plans to kill my own kind.

*(Banjo kicks in)*

**Dm**

"Come, little daughter," I said to the youngest one,  
"Put your coat on, we'll have some fun.  
We'll go out to the mountains, the one to explore."

**Dm**

Her face, it lit up, I was standing by the door.

**Dm** **Am** **Dm**  
Her face, it lit up, I was standing by the door.

**Dm**

"Come, little daughter, I will carry the lanterns.  
We'll go out tonight, we'll go to the caverns.  
We'll go out tonight, we'll go to the caves

**Dm**

Kiss your mother goodnight & remember that God saves.

**Dm** **Am** **Dm**  
Kiss your mother goodnight & remember that God saves.

**Dm (JUST BASS)**

I led her to a hole, a deep black well.  
I said "make a wish, make sure and not tell  
And close your eyes, Dear, and count to seven.

**Dm (JUST BASS)**

Know your Papa loves you, good children go to heaven.  
**Dm** **Am** **Dm**  
Know your Papa loves you, good children go to heaven."

**Dm (JUST BASS)**

I gave her a push, I gave her a shove.  
I pushed with all my might, I pushed with all my love.  
I threw my child into a bottomless pit.

**Dm (JUST BASS)**

She was screaming as she fell, but I never heard her hit  
**Dm** **Am** **Dm**.  
She was screaming as she fell, but I never heard her hit.

**SOLO (EVERYONE)****Dm groove (x8)**

**REPEAT INTRO: Bass Line (x2) → Guitar joins (x2)**

**Dm**

Gather 'round, boys, to the tale that I tell.  
You wanna know how to take a short trip to hell?  
It's guaranteed to get your own place in hell.

**Dm**

Just take your lovely daughter and push her in the well.

**Dm** **Am** **Dm**  
Take your lovely daughter and throw her in the well.

**Dm**

Don't speak to me of lovers  
with a broken heart.  
You wanna know what will  
really tear you apart?  
I'm going out to the barn, with  
a never-stoppin' pain.

**OUTRO****Dm**

I'm going out to the barn,  
**Am** **Dm\***  
to hang myself in shame.

**BASS LINE**

Every "-" indicates an eighth note

G |-----|-----|  
D |-----|-----|  
A |5---5---|5---5023|  
E |--5---5-|--5-----|