

Traditional Gospel Songs with Chords

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THE BAPTISM OF JESSE TAYLOR

D D7
They baptized Jesse Taylor,
G D
In Cedar Creek last Sunday,
A7
Jesus gained a soul and satan lost a good right arm,
D D7 G D
They all cried "Hallelujah" when Jesse's head went under,
Bm A D A7 D
Cause this time he went under for the Lord.

D D7 G D
Among the local taverns, there'll be a slack in business,
A7
Cause Jesse's drinking came before the groceries and the rent,
D D7 G D
Among the local women, there'll be a slack in cheatin'
Bm A D A7 D
Cause Jesse won't be steppin' out again.

Chorus

The scars on Jesse's knuckles are more than just respected,
The county courthouse records tell all there is to tell,
The pockets of the gamblers will soon miss Jesse's money,
And a black eye of the law will soon be well.

Chorus

From now on, Nancy Taylor can proudly speak to neighbors,
And tell them just how Jesse took up with little Jim,
Now Jimmy's got a daddy, and Jesse's got a family,
And Franklin County's got a lot more man.

Chorus