First verse:
G          D7
Oh, Mississippi, Oh, Mississippi,
G                                  G7
My heart cries out for you in sadness,
C                                                                     G
I want to be where the wintry winds don't blow,
D7
Down where the southern moon swings low,
                                   G        D7
That's where I want to go.

**Chorus:
G                                C                             G
I'm goin' to Tishomingo, because I'm sad today,
C                                                            G
I wish to linger, way down old Dixie way...
D7
Oh, my weary heart cries out in pain,
G
Oh, how I wish that I was back again,
D7               A7
With a race, in a place,
D7
Where they make you welcome all the time...
G                                 C                             G
Way down in Mississippi, among the cypress trees,
C                                                            B7
They get you dippy, with their strange melodies,
Em          B7        Em                C7                           Em          B7        Em                C7
To resist temptation, I just can't refuse,
G                                                                  G        D7
In Tishomingo, I wish to linger,
C                      D7          G
Where they play the weary blues.

Second verse:
G                                D7
Tonight I'm prayin', Tonight I'm sayin',
G                                       G7
Oh Lord please take the train that takes me,
C                                                                     G
To Tishomingo, 'way down old Dixie way,
                                   G        D7
That's why you hear me say...

(lyrics in parenthesis as sung by Garrison Keillor on The Prairie Home Companion radio show)