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1. *I'm Down in The Dump*
2. *Take Me For a Buggy Ride*
3. *Gimme a Pigfoot*
4. *Do Your Duty*
5. *Blue Spirit Blues* [play](#)
6. *He's Got Me Goin'*
7. *Kitchen Man*
8. *You've Got To Give Me Some*
9. *I'm Wild At That Thing*
10. *Standing In The Rain Blues*
11. *I Used To Be Your Sweet Mama*
12. *Devil's Gonna Get You*
13. *Thinking Blues*
14. *Foolish Man Blues*
15. *Dyin' By The Hour*
16. *A Good Man Is Hard To Find*
17. *Lock And Key*
18. *Send me To The 'Lecric Chair*
19. *Trombone Cholly*
20. *Alexander's Ragtime Band* [play](#)

Bessie Smith was an American blues singer who started her career thanks to another artist, Ma' Rainey. It was in fact Ma' Rainey who discovered Bessie in Chattanooga, and after hearing her singing in 1912 she took her on the road to perform on her show. Bessie stayed with Ma' Rainey's show until 1915, then she moved on for a solo career. Her voice was powerful, passionate and moving: she was one of the most popular blues singers in Vaudeville during the early 20's. Unfortunately Bessie Smith passed away in 1937. Her untimely death was caused by a car accident.

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