**DARK AS A DUNGEON (**Merle Travis)

**Intro C F C**

 It's dark as a dungeon way down in the mines.

**C F G**

Come listen you fellers so young and so fine

 **C F C**

Oh seek not your fortune in the dark dreary mine

 **C7 F G**

It will form as a habit and seep in your soul

 **C**

Till the stream of your blood

 **F C**

Is as black as the coal.

**Refrain**

 **G F C**

It's dark as a dungeon and damp as the dew

 **G F C**

Where danger is double and pleasures are few

 **C7**

Where the rain never falls

 **F G**

And the sun never shines

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Who lived just to labor his young life away

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A man will have lust for the lure of the mine.

**(Refrain)**

**C**

The midnight, the morning,

 **F G**

Or the middle of the day

 **C F C**

It's the same to the miner who labors away

 **C7**

Where the demons of the death

 **F G**

Often come by surprise

 **C F C**

One fall of the slate and you're buried alive.

**(Refrain)**

**C F G**

I hope when I'm gone and the ages shall roll

 **C F C**

My body will blacken and turn into coal

 **C7 F G**

Then I'll look from the door of my heavenly home

 **G F C**

And pity the miner a-diggin' my bones.

**(Refrain) extend last line**

**BARITONE**

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