Fishin' Blues

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(There is an older version which includes the last line of the 1st verse here and part of the chorus too.)

Verse 1

[C] Bet you goin' fishin' all of the time; [F] Baby goin' [C] fishin' too. Bet your life that your sweet wife gonna [D] catch more fish than [G7] you.

Chorus 1

[C] Many fish bite if you got good bait.

[F] Here's a little tip that I would [C] like to relate:

Many fish bite if you got good bait.

I'm a-goin' [F] fishin'; [C] yes, I'm goin ' [F] fishin', And my [C] baby's goin [G] fishin [C] too.

Verse 2

[C] I went on down to my favorite fishin' hole, Baby

[F] grab me a [C] pole and a line.

Throw my pole on in, caught a 9 lb. catfish. Now I

[D] brought him home for [G7] suppertime, provin'

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Verse 3

[C] Baby bro 'bout to run me out of my mind, sayin'

[F] "Can't I go fishin' with [C] you?"

I took him on down to the fishin' hole.

Now [D] what do you think that [G7] he did do?

Chorus 2

Pulled a [C] great big fish out the bottom of the pond; Now he [F] laughed and jumped cause he [C] was real gone. Many fish bite if you got good bait. I'm a-goin' [F] fishin'; [C] yes, I'm goin ' [F] fishin', And my [C] baby's goin [G] fishin [C] too.

Kazoo Break, Verse & Chorus

Verse 4

[C] Put him in the pot, Baby, put him in the pan. Honey,
[F] cook him 'til he's nice & [C] brown.;
Make a batch of buttermilk hoecakes, Mama, then
[D] chew them things & [G7] chomp 'em on down, singin'

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