

# THIS WORLD TODAY IS A MESS

WHAT YOU DO WHAT YOU SAY  
HAS A LOT A DO IN HOW YOU LIVE TODAY  
WHAT YOU WANT AN' WHAT YOU MAKE  
EV'RYBODY KNOWS IT'S ONLY WHAT YOU-OU TAKE

WHAT YOU SEE-EE AN' WHAT YOU HEAR  
WHEN IT COMES AROUND AGAIN IT'S NOT TOO CLEAR  
YOU SAY YES THEY SAY NO  
E-EV'RYBODY'S TALKIN' EVERYWHERE YOU GO

YOU TRY TO GIVE ANOTHER MAN A HELPIN' A HA-AND  
AN' HE WILL TAKE YOUR KINDNESS FOR A WEAKE-ER STAND  
NEVER DO TO OTHERS WHAT THEY DO TO-O YOU  
TRY TO FIND ANOTHER WAY TO MAKE IT THROUGH OUOUGH

WHAT I SAY-AY IS WHAT I KNOW  
TRY TO GET A FAVOR GOIN' FROM DOOR TO DOOR  
YOU STOP AND PRAY IT'S OUT OF STYLE  
YOU GET A STEP AHEAD IT TAKES A HUNDRED MILES

AND NOW A WHAT I SAY IS WHAT I KNOW  
TRY TO GET A FAVOR GOIN' FROM DOOR TO DOOR  
YOU STOP AND PRAY YOU KNOW THAT'S OUT OF STYLE  
GET A STEP AHEAD IT TAKES A HUNDRED MI-ILES

NOW YOU TRY TO GIVE ANOTHER MAN A HELPIN' A HAND  
HE WILL TAKE YOUR KINDNESS FOR A WEAKE-ER STAND  
NEVER DO TO OTHERS WHAT THEY DO TO-O YOU  
YOU BETTER DO IT TO THEM BEFORE THEY DO IT TO YOUOU-OU HA

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BUT NOW A WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU HEAR  
WHEN IT COMES AROUND AGAIN IT'S NOT A GONNA BE THE SA-AME THI-ING  
BECAUSE YOU'RE GONNA SAY YES AND THEY'RE GONNA SAY NO AN' 'EN EV'RY  
BODY'S GONNA START TALKIN' 'N' TALKIN' 'N' BLA BLA EV'RYWHERE YOU GO AN' YOU

KNOW SOMETHIN' YOU TRY A GIVE ANOTHER MAN A HELPIN' HAND YOU KNOW  
WHAT HE'S GONNA DO HE'S GON' TAKE YOUR KINDNESS FOR WEAKER STAND  
\_ YOU TRY TO DO FOR OTHERS WHAT YOU'D LIKE THEM T'DO TO YOU HH AH AH  
\_ FORGET ET IT'S GONNA BE SOME OTHER KI-IND THI-ING \_ SO YOU

TRY TO GIVE ANOTHER MAN NOW LISTEN \_ A HELPIN' HAEND  
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