Get A Little Dirt On Your Hands

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When I was a little boy Daddy used to say to me "Son, we got a lot of land We got a lot of work to be done Go get your marbles put 'em in the house Tear down your castles in the sand Come with your poppy to the cotton patch Get a little dirt on your hands, get a little dirt on your hands Get a little dirt on your hands, son Get a little dirt on your hands If you're gonna grow up to be a big, big man Get a little dirt on your hands Get a little dirt on your hands" Well, I reached twenty-one And I thought I was a pretty big wheel I left the country for the city Met a slicker with a shady deal He said, "Hold up the bank, boy and take all the money And run as fast as you can The only way you'll ever get along in this world Is to get a little dirt on your hands, get a little dirt on your hands Get a little dirt on your hands, son Get a little dirt on your hands If you want to grow up to be a big, big man Get a little dirt on your hands Get a little dirt on your hands" Well, it's four in the morning And the warden is calling' my name He said he's teaching' me a lesson Now he's making' me go work in the rain Dig that ditch, boy, fill it up I'm wanting you to understand The only way to straighten out a guy like you Is to get a little dirt on his hands, get a little dirt on his hands Hey, David got to get a little dirt on those hands boy Yeah, if you want to grow up to be a big, big man You better remember what old Whispering Bill Told you in this song, get a little dirt on those hands Get a little dirt on your hands, son Get a little dirt on your hands If you want to grow up to be a big, big man Get a little dirt on your hands Get a little dirt on your hands Get a little dirt on your hands, son I got a little dirt on my hands