

# Our Generation (The Hope of the World)

John Legend

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Hope of the world is in our generation (let's straighten it out)  
It's all left up to us, to change this present situation (let's straighten it out)  
Take caution from our elders, don't make the same mistake (let's straighten it out)  
Let's fill the world with love, and get rid of all the hate

Our elders taught us one thing but, practice another  
Just look what happened to the Indian and the brother

(Straighten it out!) [3x]

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Our leaders make us fight, and we don't know what for (let's straighten it out)  
If they want people killed, let them fight the war!

It's gotta end somewhere, this killing's got to cease  
If no one were to fight, we'd all live in peace

Our generation (let's straighten it out)  
It's all left up to us (let's straighten it out)  
Our generation (let's straighten it out)  
Let's do just what we must  
And straighten it out! (Straighten it out)  
Gotta straighten it out! (Straighten it out)  
Straighten it out! (Straighten it out)  
Yeahhh we gon' straighten it out, yeahh!

[CL Smooth]

As long as there's a you, there's a better me  
It's why we're together and stronger than they ever thought it could be  
A world motherless - can health care cover this?  
A love for all people no matter what the culture is  
Our generation, is makin huge strides  
A self-empowering movement that's on the rise  
The more the door is open, the more the youth can see  
a fair chance means a greater opportunity  
To have a brighter future, deeper insight  
Work hard to be anything you want in life  
It's what it's all about, the longevity  
Educated enough to know what's ahead of me  
Need to straighten it out, seek and you'll find  
they can cage your body, but not your mind  
We lay it all on the line in the struggle  
We grew, but together here's what we gotta do

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[JL with background singers]

Our generation - straighten it out!  
Let's straighten it out - and straighten it out!  
Heyyyyyyyyyy we can straighten it out, YEAHHH!  
C'mon yeah! Our generation - let's straighten it out  
Hey hey, we'll straighten it out  
We'll straighten it out - straighten it out  
New York City, better straighten it out  
Atlanta, better straighten it out  
In Los Angeles, you better straighten it out  
We can straighten it out, we can straighten it out  
[fades out]