

# I'm Going To Live The Life I Sing About In My Song

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I'm gonna live the life I sing about in my song  
I'm gonna stand for right and I always shun the wrong  
If I'm in the crowd, If I'm alone  
On the streets or in my home  
I'm gonna live the life I sing about in my song

Everyday, everywhere  
On a busy thoroughfare  
Folks may watch me; some may spot me  
Say I'm foolish  
But I don't care  
I can't sing one thing and then live another  
Be saint by day and a devil undercover  
I've got to live the life I sing about in my song

If at day, if at night  
I must always walk in the light  
Some mistake me; underrate me  
Because I want to do aright

I can't go to church and shout all day Sunday  
Go out and get drunk and raise sand all day Monday  
I've got to live the life, I sing about in my song