We paint this town in shades of gray
And the walls look high
'Til you step away
Ain't it funny how you can look around
And never see the truth
'Til it knocks you down
Never see the light
'Til you're tradin down

Work hard labor for your daily bread While the golden dream spins around your head Time gets money, money buys you time For the foolish things that you left behind Workin workin overtime And tradin down

It's gunna be alright (he said)
It's gunna be alright
There's nothing that's here for us
That we won't mind missin

There's no future for thw workin man See him growin old in the promised land Nothin to show for the wasted years But a heart full of hollow And a taste of tears Pushin Monday to the wall and Tradin' down...