Those people who are darker than blue Are they gonna hang around this town

And let what others say conic true

They're just good for nothing they all figure A boyish grownup shiftless jigger

Now they can hardly stand for that

Or is that really where it's at

Those people who are darker than blue This ain't no time for segregation

Talkin bout brown 'n' yellow too

High yellow gal can't you tell

You're just the surface of our deep dark well If your mind could really see

You'd know the color same as me

Pardon me brother as you stand in your glory

I know you won't mind if I tell the whole story Now I know we have great respect

For the sister and mother it's even better yet But there's the joker in the street

Loving one brother and killing the other If your mind could really see

You'd know the color same as me

Pardon me brother as you stand in your glory

I know you won't mind if I tell the whole story Pardon me brother I know we've conic a long way Let us stop being so satisfied

For tomorrow can even be a brighter day