See that wino in the gutter
I've been him
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Well I've been him
See that wino in the gutter
Watch him stumble hear him stutter
As he cries out for his mother
Well I've been him

See that soldier with his gun
Well I've been him, I've been him
See that soldier with his gun
Well I've been him, I've been him
See that soldier raise his gun
Watch him kill and see him run
And then forget the things he's done
Well I've been him

Hey

I've been him, I've been him
I've been him, and I've been you
Tell me ain't you been there too

See that brave man standing trial Well I've been him, I've been him See that coward run and hide Well I've been him, I've been him See that finger-pointing preacher See that never learning teacher Every crawling, crying creature Well I've been him

I've been him, I've been him
I've been him, and I've been you
Tell me ain't you been there too

See that little baby cry
Well I've been him
See that old man about to die
Well I'll be him, someday I'll be him
When I'm tall enough to stand
So's I can reach and touch God's hand
Then I believe I'll understand
And I'll be him

And when I'm tall enough to stand So's I can reach and touch God's hand Then I believe I'll understand And I'll be him I've been him