Last night and the night before
The thunder crowed and the rooster roared
I woke up sweating on somebody's floor
You know how the story goes

The dirty streets, they can be so mean Everybody trying to live so clean Me, I'm stuck here in between And it's a fine line

Down on monkey hill
Saw a brother screaming on the corner
Talkin' 'bout some low down dirty shame
And he said
Gonna get so high that I just don't know my name

Between the buildings and the alleyways That's where the living is done Where the young boys chase the dragon That's where flesh and steel are one

Down on monkey hill
Saw another brother testifying this morning
Talkin' 'bout how he lost everything
And he said
Gonna get so high that I just don't know my name

Everybody's talking shit and jivin'
Hard to tell which is which
Dealers and healers
Businessmen and bankers
They all be scratchin' that itch

Down on monkey hill
Saw another brother testifying this evening
Talkin' 'bout how he left his soul in DeNang
And he said
Gonna get so high that I just don't know my name
Gonna get so high
I don't know my name
Down on monkey hill