## Poor Dog (Who Can't Wag His Own Tail)

**Little Richard** 

Self-preservation is the first law of nature Abide by the rules of the one who made you The good Lord help those who help themselves Look out for number one before you help somebody else

'Cause it's a poor dog
Now, it's a poor dog
It's a poor dog can't wag his own tail
He can't wag his own tail

Now, it's a mighty poor captain, can't sell his own ship And it's a poor, poor actor, can't read his own script It's a poor foundation, can't hold up a house

Now, it's a mighty poor cat, can't even catch a mouse

'Cause it's a poor dog
It's a poor dog
It's a poor dog can't wag his own tail
He can't wag his own tail

Now, a chain is no stronger than its weakest link, oh yeah Now, a man ain't no stronger than he really really thinks From little acorns, a big tree grows

And it's a mighty mighty poor rooster that can't even crow

'Cause it's a poor dog
It's a poor dog
It's a poor dog can't wag his own tail
He can't wag his own tail

Now, a poor dog, hey, yeah, yeah, yeah
It's a poor dog
It's a poor dog
Woo, a poor dog, hey
Always tend to somebody else's business
And he's always mindin' somebody's business
Listenin' and barkin'
I can hear him howlin'
He's a poor dog, woo-hoo, yeah