In the Ghetto

As the snow flies
On a cold and gray Chicago mornin'
A poor little baby child is born
In the ghetto

And his mama cries
'Cause if there's one thing that she don't need
It's another hungry mouth to feed
In the ghetto

People, don't you understand
The child needs a helping hand
Or he'll grow to be an angry young man some day?
Take a look at you and me
Are we too blind to see
Or do we simply turn our heads and look the other way?

Well, the world turns And a hungry little boy with a runny nose Plays in the street as the cold wind blows In the ghetto

And his hunger burns
So he starts to roam the streets at night
And he learns how to steal
And he learns how to fight
In the ghetto

Then one night in desperation A young man breaks away He buys a gun, steals a car Tries to run, but he don't get far And his mama cries

As a crowd gathers 'round an angry young man
Face down on the street with a gun in his hand In the ghetto

And as her young man dies
On a cold and gray Chicago mornin'
Another little baby child is born
In the ghetto

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