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"The Bottle"

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See that white boy over there, runnin' scared
his ol' man's got a bottle.
He said he's gonna quit his 9 to 5 now he's drinking full
time
in the bottle.

See that fat boy over there, runnin' scared
his ol' man got a problem
Pawned off damn near everything, his ol'
woman's weddin' ring for a bottle.

And don't you think it's a crime
when time after time, after time livin' in the bottle.

See that sister, sure looks fine before she
started sippin' wine
from the bottle.
She told me her ol' man committed a crime
and now he's doin' time,
she's livin' in the bottle.
She's out there on the avenue, all by herself
sho' needs help from the bottle.
Preacherman tried to help her out,
she cussed him out and hit him in the head with a
bottle.

And don't you think it's a crime
when time after time, after time livin' in the bottle.

See that gent in the wrinkled suit
he done damn near blown his cool
to the bottle
He was a doctor helpin' young girls along
if they weren't too far gone to have a problem.
But defenders of the dollar bill
Said 'What you doin', Doc, it ain't legal,'
and now he's in the bottle.
Now we watch him everyday tryin' to
chase the pigeons away
from the bottle.

And don't you think it's a crime

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