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"Too Many Do-Goods"

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We got too many do-goods
And not enough hard working men
We got too many hands out
And not enough lendin' a hand

We got too many thinkers
Looking for the answer in the wind
Hey, we got too many do-goods
And not enough hard working men

We got poets and prophets
And some folks are readin' the stars
If we'd look a little closer to home
We might find who we are

We got all kinds of sermons
In booklets and pamphlets on sin
Hey, we got too many do-goods
And not enough hard working men

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We got clubs and committees
Who know all about wrong and right
Oh, but I've seen some children
Who starved plumb to death on advice

I appreciate your sympathy
And I believe in missionary work
But a little bit of bendin' down
And pickin' up your brother wouldn't hurt

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