First it was being a Saint
Then it was ~~[illegible]~~ the Jacks
Once it was ~~[illegible]~~ Jesus and paint
Then it was ~~[illegible]~~ the Jacks
Then it was getting it down
Then it was getting it out
" " " getting around
" " " Back
~~No~~ Do getting together but getting them or them get
White getting it Out and getting me out
Now it's just getting your Blues

All the folks on the street
Fear each other stare at feet
and the only hope in each
As we withdraw and we compete
To get ahead
and we ignore our dread
That somehow Love won't get a hand.

There's a child who may fail or who may pass
In relation to the class
It is engineered right from the start
To get ahead
Other kids
Will look to learn
Instead
They learn to get ahead

(last verse)
All the folks