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<i>Dick Gregory</i>: -because he's missing something, missing something.

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for fifty years, they've been telling us about a Negro crime rate,

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telling us we do all the crime

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Never came to your house once, and said, "Ms. So-and-so, would you talk to your kids, and keep 'em out of jail?" No, they want-

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they want to talk to you in the middle of the night.

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because there's something that happens to a white man, when he have to look at a black man, in jail, for right.

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There's something that happens to a man's conscience, when he have to look at your kids, in jail, at night.

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But nothing seems to happen to this man, when he looks at the horrible things that have happened to your kids in growing up, because it happens so subtle and we have accepted it so nicely, he really can't see it.

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And the bad part about it is we really can't see it. When is the last time you felt your ears growing? But they grew. When is the last time you could feel your little feet growing into big feet? But they grew. When is the last time you felt your hair growing? But it grows.

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And as these things happen to us, this problem slips up on us. Slips up on us in a way you can't tell, or in a way you don't want to tell, because every man knows when he needs a haircut, every man knows when his feets' too big.

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But in a hundred year period, we seem not to know what this problem is doing to us, because we've accepted it.



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