

# You Can't Do Wrong and Get By (with Ricky Skaggs)

## George Jones

I remember my grandfather's counsel  
As he laid the leather to my hide  
He said there's just one rule to life that always will apply  
You can't do wrong and get by. Now, lessons tend to fade as we grow older  
And I found myself in jail at twenty-five  
Had to sit there by my lawyer, the old judge looked me in the eye  
Said, you can't do wrong and get by. You can't do wrong and get by for very long  
Do wrong and all your troubles multiply  
You may not face them here but you'll face the man on high  
You can't do wrong and get by. Now once I had a wife and lovin' children  
But I gave into the pleasures of the night  
Used my grand dadd's very words to say her last goodbye  
You can't do wrong and get by. You can't do wrong and get by for very long  
Do wrong and all your troubles multiply  
Oh, you may not face them here but you'll sure face the man on high  
You can't do wrong and get by. No, no, you can't do wrong and get by  
You can't do wrong and get by. Oh no, you can't do wrong and get b

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