

## Little By Little

Ray Stevens

Sittin' in Nairobi in a jungle restaurant  
A group of local natives ordered elephant  
How they gonna eat that thing, I asked a friend of mine  
He said with salt and pepper and one bite at a time

And they ate it little by little and bit by bit  
Just a' chewin' and a' chompin' till they swallowed all of it  
There is no mountain so high you can't conquer it  
Little by little, little by little, little by little,  
And bit by bit

Hey John D. Rockefeller, you were the King of the Buck  
I wonder were you clever or was it just dumb luck  
"Never try to make a million boys, it'll boggle your mind  
Just try to make one dollar nine hundred and ninety-  
nine thousand times"

And do it little by little and bit by bit  
"A dollar here, a dollar there, I got most all of it"  
There ain't no mountain so high you can't conquer it  
Little by little, little by little, little by little,  
And bit by bit.

Now when life is like a pachyderm piled upon your plate  
Everybody wants it yesterday and they can't wait  
Just find a little tasty piece of trunk or ear  
And say I don't know where I'll finish  
But I'm gonna start right here

And take it little by little, bit by bit  
A' chewin' and a' chompin' till you've swallowed all of it  
There ain't no mountain so high you can't conquer it  
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And bit by bit

Well sometimes when I look at this old life of mine  
I see the hurrier I go the more I get behind  
But I know the secret to a happy life at home  
Is not to build it overnight but lay it stone on top of stone

And do it little by little and bit by bit  
And fill it up with love in every part of it  
There ain't no mountain so high you can't conquer it  
Little by little, little by little, little by little,  
And bit by bit.