Why Don't You Practice What You Preach?

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Soprano

Alto

You're always tellin' me

what I oughta do. You're tellin' me it's wrong to look at somebody new.

You're tellin' me, well I'm tellin' you, why don't you practice what you preach? Oh-oh. You're always tellin' me to wait until you call. I
wait and wait and wait and then you don't call at all. you're callin' me, well

I'm callin' you, why don't you practice what you preach? You
tell me I'm your sugar pie. Yea-ah. You swear you'll never tell a lie. Yea-ah. You
even say you hope to die. Well, how come you say it with your
fingers crossed? You're always askin' me to name that certain day, and
then you change the subject and you think it's okay. You're askin' me, 'cause

I'm askin' you, why don't you practice what you preach?

I've had a lot of time to

do some thinkin' stayin' home al-lone e-e-e-very night. But now I'm takin' time to

do some talkin' separat-ing wrong from right. Now you're
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always tellin' me what I ough-ta do, tellin' me it's wrong to look at

some-body new oh-oh! You're tellin' me, 'cause I'm tellin' you, Why don't you

prac-tice what you prea-each? You're al-ways tellin' me to wait until you call. I

wait and wait and wait then you don't call at all. Oh oh! You're callin' me, 'cause
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I'm call-in' you. Why y why don't you prac-tice wha-at you preach? You

tell me that I'm your sug-ar pie, (gull gull gull gull) 'n

wa da n da da n da da n da da n da. (gull gull gull gull) You ev-en say that

you hope to die. How come you say it with your - fi-in-gers crossed? You're
always askin’ me to name that certain day, and then you change the subject and you think it’s okay. You’re tellin’ me, well I’m tellin’ you why don’t you practice what you preach? Oh-oh. Why don’t you tell me why don’t you practice what you preach? Why don’t you tell me why
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don't you prac-tice what you preach?  Why don't you prac-tice what you preach?