**DON’T LAUGH AT ME**

**I’m a little boy with glasses, the one they call a geek.**

**A little girl who never smiles ‘cause I’ve got braces on my teeth.**

**And I know how it feels to cry myself to sleep.**

**I’m that kid on every playground who’s always chosen last.**

**I’m the one who’s slower than the others in my class.**

**You don’t have to be my friend, but is that too much to ask?**

**Don’t laugh at me.**

**I’m the beggar on the corner.**

**You’ve passed me on the street.**

**I wouldn’t be here beggin’ if I had enough to eat.**

**Don’t think I don’t notice that our eyes never meet.**

**I was born a little different.**

**I do my dreaming from this chair.**

**I pretend it doesn’t hurt me when people point and stare.**

**There’s a simple way to show me just how much you care.**

**Don’t laugh at me.**

**Don’t call me names.**

**Don’t get your pleasure from my pain.**

**Don’t you know we’re all the same?**

**Everyone is different in some way.**

**Don’t laugh at me!**

**I’m fat, I’m thin.**

**I’m short, I’m tall.**

**I’m deaf, I’m blind.**

**Hey, aren’t we all?**