Hey, this is Stevie

I was blessed to be raised in the west side of Detroit

I lived on Breckinridge, that was the first home that we lived in

My neighborhood where I was raised up

When the girls came along

I would sing on the front porch beating on the stairs

And singing for hours and hours upon hours

Seeing a piano for the first time, but the amazing thing as wel l is through those experiences

I was able to understand how my being blind because my mother a llowed me to be free

Didn't mean that I had to be blind to the world

I may have had a visual disability but did not stop my vision i nside me

I didn't know what it was like being poor because God had made me rich

Even before I was born

Rich was the spirit of knowing that anything you imagined

That's for the good is possible to be a reality

Because a few weeks before I was discovered I had a dream

That I heard my music, my record on the radio

I had nothing out, no one knew who I was, and, umm, amazing it really happened

And so you know it's, I can say to other young people as I said to my son Kiland

I said listen, what you don't understand is that

God gave you a brand even before you were born

All you had to do in life is walk into it