Uhh! They don't wanna battle
They ain't ready for the battle, uh-uh, uh-uh (Temple of Hip-Hop)
Listen, listen, listen

Your spirit AIN'T READY
Your church AIN'T READY
Your bishop AIN'T READY
Your deacons AIN'T READY
Your choir AIN'T READY
Your ushers AIN'T READY
At the Temple of Hip-Hop
WE TEACH MANY!

Look! To all my people hurtin, all my people searchin What we know for sure, God is always workin Workin while you flirtin, workin while you jerkin Workin while the world is turnin and these cities burnin God is always workin, workin while you learnin Workin while you ignorant and when you're not concernin Christ consciousness, get that, got that Spit that, rock that, hip that, hop that You sniff that? Stop that, I give back and got back Greedy? I'm not that, you needy for that shock rap Slangin on the block rap, duckin where the cops at I don't know that, but Jesus done copped that Not that man on the cross, it ain't like that You must act like the son of God, that's where the lights at Stop readin only and start bein show me Like the resurrection I'll be back, they can't hold me

One thing's for sure and believe it hurt It's when the pastor ain't sure, and deceives the church They don't know God's law, and can't see God at work So when they see hip-hop, they push it to the back of the church Like fig trees or figures they don't bear fruit They gospel artists, still tryin to chase that loot Hear the truth now, I come to enhance the light They women of God, singin while they pants is tight? They not hot! Really they, regular They clothes they flows, all that, secular What's the difference I could stay in the world and wild if these church girls wear more makeup than Destiny's Child Keep it real Christian, some of y'all liftin ain't likin But this is the difference between a Christian and a Christ-ian Stop readin only and start bein show me Like the resurrection I'll be back, they can't hold me Listen, listen, listen

Look! Spiritual minded, you must find it
Find your spirit and go deep inside it
This goes out to the Christ-ians listenin
This is the flow that, gospel's missin it's
urban inspirational rap
We got our own section in the record stores, in our own rack
We respect tradition, from the start
But we now know, the true word of God is written in our heart
We gotta say somethin to the streets kid!

All these churches surroundin the devil still ain't defeat it? They the type to get down, I'm the type to get up
From "Criminal" to "Spiritual Minded", now raise your head up
Let me start, these rappers ain't got God in they heart
All they want is quick money, and a movie part
Let me begin - what, where, why or when
What's the use of double platinum if you're livin in sin
Hear the truth - how long you think you gonna last
Rockin the mic, without havin to go back to class?
Now you're forced, to listen to the teacher outrap them
Yes there's life after platinum