

# Darkest Places

## Abstract

You spoke of fires earlier in the exercise  
Can you elaborate on what that meant?  
Some destruction you caused that at the time built you up  
Yeah, but that wasn't referencing physical destruction though  
Over the years, I've realized I didn't always use my voice for good  
I've learned since that sometimes words can cut deeper than... anything

I was young, set ablaze  
I would flicker with the flames  
I was rowin' over bridges, wasn't worried 'bout the rain  
I was holdin' onto grudges  
Was the jury and the judge  
And when it came to the verdict, my sentences never budged  
I got a lot I ain't proud of but I got zero regrets  
Had to take a view back to really look at my steps  
They tried to get on my case, I saw it all in the stairs  
So I slid down the railing and got the hell out of there  
You know a piece of my story? You barely opened the book  
You got a glance of the cover and think you know what it took  
I wrote these verses in blood, my DNA in my art  
So if you feel it, you feelin' me, 'cause it's straight from the heart  
Not many can say the same  
Got a lot out here playin' games  
Push people a narrative but you're lost in the fame  
You preach about how to cope  
But you're still lost in the flames  
I'm one to use what I wrote to make me better today  
I really preach what I practice, I really sell who I am  
Ask my team, ask my family—ask any one of my fans  
I just hate to see people who ain't the people they say  
Yo, what's wrong with the industry you been claimin' to hate?

We were young, we were wild  
Just a fire with no cause  
Just a light in the dark with a purpose unknown  
Took some time to ourself when I finally [?] reachin'  
Now you fire me up, you're the reason I glow

You're my fire  
Nowadays we're bringin' light  
To the darkest places  
I remember feelin' last night we lead the way  
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I turned that fire to light, I gave that light to the world  
I gave that light to my fans, I gave that light to my girl  
I cultivated my happiness, grew it straight from the dirt  
I stopped takin' appraisals, started creatin' my worth  
Didn't listen to nobody, word to RoZe, that's how I rose  
I got sick of basic people, told 'em, "Yo, I gotta go"  
"I can't live like this forever, there's someone I gotta be"  
Destiny got better for me and I just can't wait and see  
So I set my sights where the grass look green  
Saw a smile in the water but it looked like me  
So moved in my reflection, the person that I could be

Stopped runnin' off of revenge and taught myself to be free  
I'm the one they couldn't stop, I'm the product of my dreams  
I'm the one who made it through  
When they brought me to my knees  
Here to pass the message down like they passed it down to me  
If it set your soul on fire, then you gotta let it breathe

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