

# I Do This

## Abstract

I do this for my father  
Who've I've only seen  
From time to time in my dreams  
I do this for, you  
I do this for my mother  
Who's finally clean  
And no longer a feen  
I do this for, you  
I do this for my sister  
My wife and my kids  
Cause they part of the team  
I do this for  
All the naysayers and haters  
Who made me one of the greatest  
I know it kills you inside  
That's why I do this for you

I do this for the kids who sit a bit outside the mix  
Who maybe cope through humor, just to fit in for a bit  
Who never let the world know when depressions setting in  
To all of those who know you that impression don't exist  
And it ain't counterfeit, it's just a way to counter it  
I'm living things I dreamed about, I still encounter it  
It ain't something that a cigarette or alcohol can fix  
But all because of it I flipped it quick, went on to write some hits  
This a success off another breath  
This the first step in searching to be nothing less  
Than be the best in what you do, to prove there's strength in being you  
Learned so much in chasing dreams that I never would in school  
Depends on where your passion lie, just know passion never lie  
Life presents distractions, but your actions have to fortify  
The things that you believe in have to scream it like a battlecry  
And leave the ones who didn't lookin' stupid while they're asking why  
Couldn't lie, I really do this for the ones I love  
Those who treat the music as a vice and lyrics like a drug  
Those who need advice on how to lift their spirit high enough  
To break out of the box they make of lives they know aren't good enough  
Just because it's how it is don't mean it's how it has to be  
This is what the uninspired testifiers fail to see  
Jealousy results from being that which others failed to be  
And if it means you're not with me that honestly sounds fair to me

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Do this for my mother, she'll be working for the summer  
Do this for my father cause these days I often wonder  
What my life would have been like if I was not adopted  
To grow up in a home where I was treated like a problem  
I don't know, it's just a guess, your guess probably good as mine  
Lucky that I grew up in a home that wanted me to shine  
Lucky that I grew up round some mountain we were taught to climb  
Without that inspiration I don't think that this would be my life  
Do this for my friends who've scattered all cross the country now  
I'm out in Sweden walking back through life so I can write it down  
Make a living off the sound, so crazy to say out loud  
I'm the biggest thing since Travis Rice to come up out the town  
Sorry gotta stunt a little, used to have my dreams belittled  
But it's all a part of it, I know people's minds are fickle  
Lines between reality and dreams I blur like faded nights  
Come up been so good for me, I wish that I could make it twice

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