Paranoid Like Me ('Tis The Season Of Discontent)

Cowboy Troy

Welcome to my reality

My plans for success have gone up in smoke Mocking like neurotic laughter with psychotic jokes Hollywood dreams glisten then fade While Vegas luck sits there and bakes in the shade

Sometimes I feel alone
Even though I know the voice on the phone
Plans of my demise have been discussed
By those unknown and those I trust.

Venom drips from the vipers fangs I can tell by the way they say my name Promises come with the entangling stipulations Hidden meanings and manipulations.

False friends and enemies true Predict tryin' to brave the doom To blister this music some others insight the flames of resistance within to ignite

I'm scorching the pillows of doubt when I rest Soothing my ego battered and stressed Many gasping for air apparent Some sincere others uncaring

Congrats from Charlatans often display
An aroma rampant with rot and decay
I'm smiling on the outside But crying in my chest
I'm trying to be a man 'cause I want to do my best

I'm forging on defyin' defeat
The words I speak are bringing the heat
Hoping my tongue's not too rated and then
Weary of damaging personal wind

I avoid succumbing to the pity and the fuss, while my brain fights off the rust and the dust. I gotta pick my battles sometimes I can't win 'em. 'cause I'm just a man, flesh and venom.

(musical interlude)

You see I had to testify before the FCC.

So you could hear me on something besides CD or an MP3.

Some tried to top me but can't stop me.

They're hopin' and prayin' that one day my label drops me.

But I keep comin back again and again and again

Till you hear duh duh duhda duh duh.

You'll start lookin at me like MY name was Rocky

Convicted of dreaming in the court of public opinion

Soon you'll see - if you're paranoid like me