Ignorance Is Bliss

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Lord forgive me

Kill him where he stand or stand over him shake his hand Then jump back in that mini van, double back to his block And blam I ain't backing down for nothing I'm a back em down like Shaq with this black 2-2-3 in my hand Better pray that this chopper jam, like a radio single, man Police radio signals sayin' that a 187 land on your corner, Coroners comfort your mama, mama he's dead, The next morning high toasted up with my homies We drink and smoke marijuana, want us to change our ways? Uh-huh You see this game we play come from uncles that raised me in Compton Ask me what I have accomplished I don't know I don't have conscience I just load up and start dumpin' on enemies I'm head hunting No sympathy, ain't no love when you in these streets just get something Protect ya neck cause they comin' for set respects split your onion Then chop your deck your head tumblin' like gymnastics Cause ignorance is bliss

This the hardest shit you've heard from LA this far And I'm this far, from a discharge but never will I dish off We all tryna ball and when I got the rock I'll dish off Until the day I pistol whip you posers till ya'll pissed off Then peel off, in a hooptie Come back and make these niggas wanna shoot me And they bitches wanna salute me or seduce me Indubitably I'm too street Indubitably I'm a do me Better than your bitch would But you niggas too weak, but just give me 2 weeks And I'm good I'll make an album that'll put a smile on Malcolm Make Martin Luther tell God I'm the future for Heaven's talent No tarot card reading I'm foreseeing you niggas vanish Not only from the rap game, I'm including the planet Cats so watered down clowns can sink Titanic Tie titanium around their neck and watch em panic Give me respect, dammit, or get damaged Die young, corpse identified by your parents Apparently you a parrot Mocking me and my blueprint But I won't share it just make you cop it then call you a sheriff Stop it, I'm hearin' the comments The critics are calling me conscious But truthfully, every shooter be callin' me Compton So truthfully, only calling me Kweli and Common? Proves, that ignorance is bliss

And I'm this far, from a discharge but never will I dish off
This my world, I grab the universe then play kickball
And they wonder why these California earthquakes hit so hard
I'm so-Cal, you so called
Rappers need to go call
Ghostbusters to shoot busters I'm Casper when I go off
I show up, to show out to show off

You a hundred percent behind me
And if you hard then wreck your car and walk up to my crime scene
I remember being 17 wishing someone would sign me
Now the only way these labels get me back is when they rewind me
Backin' down boggins
Backin' down bitches
We gon' flip her once she off that blue dolphin
You gon' tip her
Cause ignorance is bliss
And Willy B I'm a fool on yo beats, I bleed out the speaker
As the speaker that spoke when they done speak