

Baby Steps

Lowkey

Your children are not your children
They are sons and daughters of life's longing for itself
They come through you but not from you
And though they are with you, they belong not to you

List the things I love, I couldn't ever begin
From the giggle when you're happy to the smell of your skin
Every day you surprise me with intelligent things
Ready for blessings and lessons your development brings
I learn more from you than you could ever learn from me
First step, first word, first time I heard you breathe
It's a feeling beyond comparison
Heartbeat sweeter than any song that I'm rapping in
In this life I want your happiness and nothing more
Feels like we were both born again when we cut the cord
Our trauma from the past is a factor in your present
But sacrifice our lives for yours, you'd have them in a second
Not feeling this close when you smile, kiss and squeeze me
Food for the soul, your beautiful spirit feeds me
Made us touch our scars again, that process isn't easy
My life instead of yours, I would smile and give it freely

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You can always lean on me, you can always lean on me my son
One day I'll have to let you go, but you must keep within your soul
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As I watched your heart beating on the scan
I knew you'd be born into things you wouldn't understand
I hope I can prepare you for the pain you will withstand
And always remember before a man into a human (you're a human)
We are not perfect, sometimes we'll get it wrong
Breaks my heart there's things in life we just can't protect you from
See the difference between right and wrong, I pray that you can
Just know it's my heart that you take in your hand
Every day I sit face to face with a walking miracle
Not a cord, umbilical, connection more than physical
Whatever the weather, the sky is sunny when you smile
Wrote this for every parent sitting worried for their child
Your eyes are like stars to me, voice is like heaven singing
Being with you is like the sweetest dream I've ever been in
My moon and my son, that sentence isn't a metaphor
You're the beginning, middle and the end we must be better for

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