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Ghetto boy, ghetto boy, wilding since a little boy All I felt was pain, Lord please won't you send me joy God must have heard my prayers, came to me in my dreams It's been over 6 years and my mother's still clean Oh-oh, oh-oh, that's right, I'm living my life I'm in the street, right on my block We chilling all night So call me what you wanna call me I did all them corners homie Gun shots, tears drop I done lost a couple homies Victim of a violent hood Product of a dirty slum I ain't going back to jail Already let them judge me once Call me dumb, call me fool Fine, you can call me stupid Cause I come, flying through the hood When I get some new shit Grinding from crumbs man, I done what I could nigga Look at me I made it out but still I'm just a hood nigga Oh-oh, that's right, I'm feeling like I'm falling see Every now and then I hear it, the streets is calling me

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Yeah, packed jails, closed schools, over-crowded classrooms
College girls on stripper poles, feeling like we all doomed
Rock sellers, God tell us, why they let the cops kills us
Wouldn't understand unless you're standing on them blocks with us
Blood and tears, show no fear, candles for my dead peers
Pregnant teens, broken dreams, but I still love it here
Yes I said I love it here, take a breath, smell the air
Look around, feel the ground, you can sense the danger near
New babies, lost fathers, drugs inside the household
Alcohol, aids, wait tell me something I don't know

Tell me where the hope is at
Real you can call me that
Never goin far away, the streets is always calling back

Even though I seen the struggle, even though I seen the struggle My whole life was a struggle, that's all that I know I have to hustle

Money stays on my mind and I won't let it go

See this here is survival of the realest

And only if you real you will feel it

So if you don't live it, don't speak it

Make it hard for you to not see it

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