

Iz It A Crime?

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Is it a crime?
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A crime?

You never know
How many niggas stood wit' you when it was smoke?
How many niggas stuck by you when you was broke?
How many niggas took this rap shit for a joke?
How many niggas you done had to let go?
How many niggas done survived death row?
How many niggas tried to play Scarface?
When the going get tough, don't let your talents go to waste

That's why they pay me, nigga-lately, I been on one
Might pedicure the '64 and get her toes done
Don't know the power of a joint until you roll one
See, life's a marathon, but we gon' make it in the long run

I'm just being cynical, trying to reach my pinnacle
Never let 'em limit you-bend the rules, win or lose
I know it's hard to digest, like prison food
Got a fuckin' Basquiat hangin' in my living room

Shit, I been banging on the set since middle school
Now we out here flippin' gin and juice, making bigger moves
Can't swim, but I got a couple swimming pools
Is it a crime for me to ask for my residuals?

Poor man ask the rich man how to get cash
The rich man told the poor man, "Get off your ass"
Too many ended up in prison over bags and belts
Before you make that bad decision, nigga, ask yourself

How many niggas out here sticking to the code?
How many niggas trying to help you reach your goals?
How many niggas out here killin' over hoes?
Might just be the fuckin' greatest story never told

How many dirty lawyers lied to my face?
How many stayed after Murder Was the Case?
How many died trying to play Scarface?
It should be a fuckin' crime to let your talent go to waste

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