

Statik Selektah f/ Styles P, Talib Kweli "The Thrill Is Gone"

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Man hit the jack, I can't knock that And it's a culture,
you can't forget about that [Verse 1 - Styles P] Too
many vultures in it (too many) I think Nas said [hip hop
is dead] 'cause he couldn't see the culture in it Too
many funny clothes (too much), too many Auto-Tunes
(haha) Too many gangsters, when they made the Auto
Goon (when they made those) Listen boy you should
play your role Like rap don't need a brand new De La
Soul Pay homage to any MC who paved our road Or the
big Mercedes Benz boy won't get drove I say that
'cause, I be where the monsters at I'm like God damn,
they even screwed up conscious rap (God dammit) I
think rap need a new P.E. to +Fight The Power+ and be
free (Fight The Power) And try to bring the light like GE
(GE) I think we deaf, dumb and we blind and for the ten
hundredth time Who give a damn about our swag and
our grind? (who give a damn?) Why don't you rhyme
about a thought that you had on your mind You an MC,
let me see, how you really design, ya know? [Chorus -
Scratched Notorious B.I.G. Samples] "The thrill is gone"
"The shit is pathetic" "Please forget it" "Your style is
played out" "The thrill is gone" "Prepare for this rap
killin" "Ri-Ri-Right?" "The thrill is gone" ("Let it, let it
go") "Your style is played out" "The thrill is gone"
"Right?" "Right?" [Talib Kweli - talking over Chorus] Oh
yeah, the thrill is gone It's been long gone [Verse 2 -
Talib Kweli] At once, get from positive to negative I'm
hyper and I'm calm as a sedative (ah) The artist, the
executive At once, the son and the father, the comedy
and the drama The fun and the karma, the shame and
the honor The skin under the armor, the bullet that
pierce the flesh The love of life, the fear of death How
it flash before your eyes, when a knife is near your
chest We the best, we the worst, the club or the church
The soap or the dirt, the murder, the birth At once
(yeah), the idle worship sittin in the seaport (uh) Waitin
for a war that ain't ever gon' be fought (no) The
correspondents coverin this attack on free thought (oh)
Quiet style Pee Wee got it covered like three fourths
Time to wake up, Teddy P. said it best when he was in
the Blue Notes I'm the extension of my memories Hip-

hop is in my heart, I keep it closer than my enemies I
bet you they remember me, word [Chorus - Scratched
Notorious B.I.G. Samples] "Right?" "The thrill is gone"
"The shit is pathetic" "Please forget it" "Your style is
played out" "The thrill is gone" "Prepare for this rap
killin" "Ri-Ri-Right?" "The thrill is gone" ("Let it go, go,
let it go") "Your style is played out" "The thrill is gone"
"Ri-Ri-Right?" "Prepare for this rap killin" "Right?"
[Verse 3 - Styles P] I think all you need's a beat and a
hook (that all) I need entertainment now, light a blunt
and go and read me a book Why don't you make a
dance song? That'll get you a look BET, MTV, that'll get
ya some push Give it a month or two homie, you'll be
hittin the roof The hip, hop heads mad but I'm spittin
the truth (it's the truth) It's the computer age now,
better get with the youth (gotta get with 'em) Don't
nobody give a damn of what you spit in the booth
Better make your ringtone, keep your bling on Sing
anything and try to get your sing on Me I'm just
laughin, rollin, rollin While I'm rollin in a Caddy that's
golden No I ain't a pimp or guerrilla pimp (uh uh) I'm
just a poet that all the killers with For spittin that realer
shit (realer shit) If we were y'all MC's, most of y'all
illegit ("Right?"), Statik Selektah [Chorus - Scratched
Notorious B.I.G. Samples] "The thrill is gone" "The shit
is pathetic" "Please forget it" "Your style is played out"
"The thrill is gone" "Prepare for this rap killin" "Ri-Ri-
Right?" "The thrill is gone" ("Let it go") "Your style is
played out" "The thrill is gone" "Ri-Ri-Right?" "Prepare
for this rap killin" "Right?" "Right" - scratched until the
end

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