

**Twista f/ Faith Evans****"Hope \*"**

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\* not billed as such, but it is a remix of the "Kamikaze" version

[Verse One]

I wish the way I was livin' could stop  
Servin' rocks, knowin' the cops is hot when I'm on the block  
And I - wish my brother would've made bail  
So I won't have to travel six hours to see him in jail  
And I - wish that my grandmother wasn't sick  
Or that we would just come up on some stacks and hit a lick (I wish)  
And I - wish my homies wouldn't have to suffer  
When the streets get the upper hand understand we lose a brother  
And I - wish I could go deep in the zone  
And lift the spirits of the world with words within this song (I wish)  
And I - wish I could teach us all to fly  
Take away the pain out your hands and help you hold 'em high  
And I - wish my hommie Butch was still alive  
And on that day of his death we had never took that ride  
And I - wish that God could protect us from the wrong  
So that all the soldiers that were sent overseas come home  
And uh - we will never break though they devastate  
We shall motivate, and we gotta pray, all we got is faith  
Instead of thinkin' about who gon' die today  
The Lord is gon' help you feel better so you ain't gotta cry today  
Sit at the light so long  
And then we gotta move straight forward cause we bite so strong  
So when right go wrong  
Just say a lil' prayer, get your money man, life goes on... (Let's go)

[Chorus]

Oh I'm hopeful, yes I am, hopeful for today

Take this music and use it, let it take you away  
And be hopeful, hopeful, and He'll make a way  
I know it ain't easy but - that's okay  
Cause we hopeful

[Verse Two]

I wish that you would show some love  
Instead of hatin' so much when you see some other  
people comin' up (I wish)  
I wish I could teach the world to sing  
Write some music and have them trippin' off the joy I  
bring  
Shit - I wish that we can hold hands  
Listenin' instead of dissin', lessons from a grown man  
(I wish)  
And I - wish the families that lack but got love  
Get some stacks, brand new shack, and a 'Llac that's  
on dubs  
And I - wish we could keep achieving wonders  
See the vision of the world through the eyes of Stevie  
Wonder (I wish)  
You feel me - and I hope all the kids eat  
And don't nobody in my family see six feet - ya dig?  
I hope the mothers stand strong  
You can make it whether you with him or your man's  
gone (I wish)  
And I - wish I could give every celly some commissary  
And no popo bring the heat on our peace like they did  
R. Kelly  
And I - wish that D.O.C. could scream again  
And bullets could reverse and Pac and Biggie breathe  
again  
Shit - that one day they can speak again  
I wish that we only saw good news every time we look  
at CNN  
I wish that we could never get the blues  
Wish that I could bring back the people that died at E2  
I wish that we could walk the path stay doin' the right  
thing  
Hustle hard so them kids maintain up in the game  
(Let's go)

[Chorus]

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[Verse Three]

Wish the earth wasn't so apocalyptic

I try to spread my message to the world the best way  
that I can give it  
We can make it, always be optimistic  
If you don't listen, gotta live my life the best way that I  
can live it  
I pray for justice when we go to court  
Wish it was all good so the country never even went to  
war  
Why can't we kick it and just 'em on  
And in the famous words of Mister King, 'why can't we  
all just get along?'  
Hope we can find a better way to shop in peace  
And I - hope we find a better way to cop for keys  
And I - wish everybody would just stop and freeze  
And ask - why are we fulfilling these downfalls and  
these prophecies  
You can be wrong if it's you doubtin'  
With the faith of a mustard seed, you can move  
mountains  
And only the heavenly father can ease the hurt  
Just let it go and keep prayin' on your knees in church  
(Let's go)

[Chorus]

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(Repeat)

Hopeful, ohhhhh ohhhhh

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