

## A Tribe Called Quest "Footprints"

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[Q-Tip]

As we start trugin, me and my brothers we be lookin  
and be buggin  
Vehicles of life they be rollin and be mergin  
Searchin for the virgins of life  
that be shovin out the door that's crack  
The valleys of time, are always on my feet  
As least the beat will combine  
The calluses and corns with the funky bassline  
You don't need underdog for a nickel shoeshine or the  
shoes that's phat  
Well can I get a level on the bass and on the treble  
Footin up and down like a UNLV Rebel  
The answer be amongst us cos we rarely dig acoustics  
Can't be too much flackin, not too much packin  
You must container that at least to dip your hand in rap  
Your feet will be infectious so at least realise the fact  
The rhythms are inserted and the nurse can be  
converted  
This ain't rock 'n' roll cos the rap is in control  
If you're a megastar, worth will buy you a car  
I'd rather go barefootin, for prints I will be puttin  
all over the earth if we can get there first  
Now that we are in it, footprints are bein printed  
So fi you recognise em, you can try to size em  
They'll probably be the ones with the size not fryin  
all over reveal, you won't have to yield  
If you want protection you can hide behind the shield

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You can game on the gallons if you really need to rock  
But we walk while we talk as we stompin through the  
block  
Hand in hand 'cross the land as Muhammad cross the  
fade  
It's a Tribe who meanders, precious like a jade  
It's a art, Theo arch rhymes the ground placed upon  
The mind will unwind, it will soft to beyond  
Catch the track, track by track, get a map to track a trail  
You will find yourself behind for a map does not prevail  
See the levels peakin as the rhythms keep-a screechin  
A Quest, oh yes a Quest, inside the jam I will keep

preachin  
the point, oh yes the point, because it's close but yet so  
far  
The loudness is ringin as we scoot across the star  
We are bulgin, I'm indulgin in a rat-a-tat-tat  
Explanation for the liners that the rhythm is phat  
Keep it wild, wide and deep, you could dig it in a jeep  
But dig it in the ground because the foot print now

[Q-Tip]

If there's a storm that's brewin, it won't keep us from  
doin  
our thing as we start swingin, travellin is bringin  
joy inside the domes as we hit the road to roam/Rome  
A chair is not a chair, a house is not a home  
Because my skin is brown, yo I'm gonna do the town  
Rub it in the face and rub my feet all through the place  
When you get your finger on the music it'll linger  
Sing a song o' sixpence, sing it like a singer  
A Nubian, a Nubian, a proud one at that  
Remember me, the brother who said "Black is black"  
You can come by request, I don't play, I don't dress  
Get emotions off your chest, we are black, we the best  
Makin moves, makin motions, flowin like an ocean  
The walkin will continue, we know that we will bring you  
the times that you have waited, more anticipated  
Be gone but not for long because the feet will stay  
strong

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