4Th Avenue Jones "Why"

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I'm reminiscing like JOE, staring at faded pictures Through Satan's tempting and death Back resurrected as the greatest victor Throughout my travels sampled great elixirs Liquor's and weed

Feel like I'm bleeding, need a way to fix this

Pain that I feed

I told'em "Go head I ain't coming"

Bed being Co - Ed stop being fun

And I can't even sleep

Stress running my mind

Got diamonds but don't none of em' shine

My heart is heavy

Every problem weigh a ton at a time

Stay isolated cause' I'm one of a kind

Fake homies claiming that they got my back

But every one of em' lying

My label jerking me forever jacking

But like Jeremiah this fire got in my bones

Now I'm forever rapping

I took the bitter with the sweet

Never quitters we keep

Teaching like ghetto Messiah's to deliver the streets

Became a son of God as soon as I admitted I'm weak

And gave back what was given to me

I don't understand why

(Chorus:)

I don't know why

You gotta lie

Think I'm gon' try

Take your piece of the pie

Scheme and you cheat

Cheat and you lie

I don't understand why they keep playing with me

I don't know why

You gotta lie

Think I'm gon' try

Take your piece of the pie

Scheme and you cheat

Cheat and you lie

I'm a grown man now quit playing with me

No y'all ain't ready for it I don't think they ready for it Really y'all ain't ready for it I don't think they ready for it Y'all think y'all ready for it I don't think they ready for it Who think they ready for it? I don't think they ready

This hip-hop, rock, soul Is all we do around here

I spit a lot Practicing flowing while I'm doing my hair From Little Rock Some of em' said I wasn't going nowhere But I had confidence these poems I share'd be embraced by many Said "you way too skinny" Nobody gave me anything Be singing at my job while I slave for pennies I love emceeing Love to be in the studio locked Haters that knocked gon' see me rocking at coliseums I used to cry watching these video shows Pitiful Artist with silly flows They gotta be kidding Yo, why we dope and got it hard like this? I don't understand it my band is making all these hits And I feel abandoned by labels cause' they all insist I should straighten my hair to hit it I'm real but they don't get it Every mic I lit it For fans I stay committed Want me solo forget it We make a dollar we split it

(Chorus)

Tell me why

None of y'all ain't ready for it I don't think they ready for it No y'all ain't ready for it I don't think they ready for it Y'all think y'all ready for it I don't think they ready for it But y'all ain't ready for it I don't think they ready

I'm gon' stay ready I'ma stay ready (repeat till the end)

Ready for whatever
Ready for whoever
You ain't gon' never catch us slipping
This is Hiprocksoul
It don't matter what they say
Tena Jones gon' be ready
We all gon' be ready
4th Avenue gon' stay ready
We gon' be ready
We gon' stay ready
We gon' stay ready
I've been putting it down for so long
I'm ready
I've been ready all my life
I've been ready all my life
So every thing will be all right

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