

## Asher Roth "As I Em"

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Take me as I am my friends  
Ain't gon' change, won't be no end  
Write these songs, rock these shows  
Only good life I know

I was in seventh grade when I heard the Slim Shady LP  
Yeah, my mom brought it down when I was ironin',  
irony  
Gettin' out the wrinkles, just a little kid in middle school  
Sink my teeth in anythin' to think I'm cool, ridin' the bus

I feel the rush from, I still don't give a fuck  
Yeah, I wish I could agree but I've already had enough  
I've already given up from playin' the same game  
Every interview, feel like I'm sayin' the same thing, like

Em was great, yeah he paved the way for me  
He was inspiration for everybody from A to Z  
But they keep relatin' me, I can't get away, chasin' me  
All day long, I hear it, all day long

And now the masters think that Asher wants to be a  
Marshall Mather's  
They say Asher's not a rapper, na his ass is just an  
actor  
'Cause we have the same complexion and similar voice  
inflection  
It's easy to see the pieces and the reach for that  
connection

Each second of every minute, each hour of everyday  
I'm constantly on defense defendin' my own name  
Explainin' we're not the same  
Not much that I can say, except I'm sick of it  
Critics out only sparked up a flame, it's on

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Now don't get it twisted, I've definitely benefited  
It's like suddenly everyone wants to hear what I've been  
spittin'  
It's so different, the image they don't get it  
It's simple, I'm just a kid who wants to rap to make a  
livin'

But Em was in it way before I committed  
And his lyrics were the shit, so I really gotta come with  
it  
But each critics be pickin' apart my writings  
If it isn't up to par then Asher's Paul is just a gimmick

Is it my fault, must I be more convincin'?  
Y'all talk all you want, never halt me from my mission  
Use it as ammunition, would you please keep dissin'  
me?  
All day long, I hear it, all day long

And yeah, the haters wanna hate because I made it  
and I'm famous  
But until you take my place, you'll never know 'bout  
What it takes to make a record for respect, take a  
second to inspect  
When you look like someone else, then what the fuck  
do you expect?

I just want to be accepted as the illest in the game  
But it's harder for an artist creatin' his own lane  
That's anonymous with rhymin' and combine with  
perfect timin'  
On the time that's now declinin' and about to explode,  
so hold on

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So fuck it that's all I got, there's nothin' else for me to  
say  
If I don't confront the problem, it will never go away  
Unless it is addressed there's nothin' left for me to do  
It's impossible rejectin' an elephant in the room

Say goodbye to all the bullshit, notions preconceived  
So long to all the blogs who coulda swore they knew me  
If you have no further questions and can't think of  
other thoughts  
Then I'd like to introduce you to Asher Paul Roth

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