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"I'll Get By"

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To the broken people tryin to make ends meet,
But can barely stand on their feet,
Say "I'll get by."
I'll get by, I'll get by, I'll get by.
To the kids who ain't got no shoes on their feet,
Tryin to figure out what to eat,
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This ain't for Becky.
This ain't for soccer moms.
This is for kids in Somalia
Who ain't got no moms.
This is for teens
Listenin to Lil Wayne
'Cause he seems to have the courage
To make music for them.
And this is for the outcasts,
The underprivileged,
Who can't seem to catch a break
But stay diligent,
Make the most of the bad
That life's givin them;
Choose to survive
Despite what dad did to them;
Stay vigilant,
Though they know
That this unjust world
Doesn't pay fair dividends.
Child workers getting paid
Under their minimum,
While the chairmen CEO
Makes a million.
And this is for the jobless,
Homeless,
Who keep hoping
'casue they know this world isn't home it's
Just a place we're all passing through.
If you're in jail,
Yeah. This song's for you.

To the single moms holdin down a family of five

While putting in 9 to 5,
Say "I'll get by."
I'll get by, I'll get by, I'll get by.
To the kids tryin to raise themselves on their own
'Cause mom and dad are never home,
Say "I'll get by."
I'll get by, I'll get by, I'll get by.

This is for those
Who can't sell their homes.
Flipped upside down,
Worth half of it's loan.
Full tank is gone,
Economy's in the tank,
So we look
To credit cards and banks,
And feed off of the lie
That says that we can just buy
Our way out of this mess
And somehow maybe we can get by.
Advertisers keep enlargening
Our appetite.
We're starving after
What can't satisfy.
But let me make a suggestion.
Better get a profession.
We put too much stock
In our earthly possessions.
Our problem is way bigger
Than a recession.
As a whole we have lost our soul
To our obsessions,
But it's not too late to get back
To the reason we're alive.
I promise you I found it.
It's the reason I survived,
It's why I stand tall,
I can breathe, touch the sky.
I believe that I will get by.

To the soldiers on the frontline riskin their lives,
Tryin to figure out how to survive,
Say "I'll get by."
I'll get by, I'll get by, I'll get by.
To the sons tryin to hold down the weight of the storm,
'Cause daddy is away at war,
Say "I'll get by."
I'll get by, I'll get by, I'll get by.

How long
Will we keep on failing trying to get by

On our own?

How long
Till we lift our eyes to the one who can
Lead us home?

To the billions of people who are mad at God,
'Cause most churches haven't done their job,
And hurt you badly.
Yes, it's a tragedy.
You're lookin at a casualty.
I'm judged instead of loved.
You have every right to be mad at me.
But please forgive us
As we try to fix this.
But this time, not because of
Selfish ambition;
This time because of
Jesus, who lives within us.
So we are not religious,
We're just redeemed sinners.
And He offers peace in the midst
Of affliction,
And He is deliverance from
The deepest addiction.
Though He may be hidden from
Your plain sight vision,
Just look beneath the surface
And you cannot miss Him.
As far as all our problems go,
I know I can't fix them just by
Singing this song.
So much has gone wrong.
Though change don't come easy,
Together we can be strong.
I was hoping we could all start by singing along.
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