

## Common

### "Retrospect For Lif"

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Yo, we gotta start respectin life more y'all  
You look at your brother man you gotta see yourself  
Gotta see the God within him  
Brothers gettin changed real quick over nothin  
We losin too many of ours  
Gotta recreate y'all  
Yo, check it

Knowin you the best part of life, do I have the right to  
take yours  
Cause I created you, irresponsibly  
Subconsciously knowin the act I was a part of  
The start of somethin, I'm not ready to bring into the  
world  
Had myself believin I was sterile  
I look into mother's stomach, wonder if you are a boy or  
a girl  
Turnin this woman's womb into a tomb  
But she and I agree, a seed we don't need  
You would've been much more than a mouth to feed  
But someone, I woulda fed this information I read  
to someone, my life for you I woulda had to leave  
Instead I lead you to death  
I'm sorry for takin your first breath, first step, and first  
cry  
But I wasn't prepared mentally nor financially  
Havin a child shouldn't have to bring out the man in me  
Plus I wanted you to be raised within a family  
I don't wanna, go through the drama of havin a baby's  
momma  
Weekend visits and buyin J's ain't gon' make me a  
father  
For a while bearing a child is somethin I never wanted  
to do  
For me to live forever I can only do that through you  
Nerve I got to talk about them niggaz with a gun  
Must have really thought I was God to take the life of  
my son  
I could have sacrificed goin out  
To think my homies who did it I used to joke about,  
from now on

I'ma use self control instead of birth control  
Cause t'ree hunderd 'n' fi'teen dolla's ain't worth your  
soul  
t'ree hunderd 'n' fi'teen dolla's ain't worth your soul  
t'ree hunderd

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