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De La Soul "Church"

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Peace, this is Spike Lee A.K.A. Shelton Jackson Lee A.K.A. loving husband and father Of Tonya and Satchel and Jackson I'm here with De La Soul A.K.A. De La, A.K.A. The Plugs We're about to get in this song, "Church" A.K.A. "It's Reality"

Aiyyo, wake up, wipe the sleep from ya eyecracks It's time to focus y'all, fix ya I-MAX In other words, listen to the brother's words Ingest these anecdotes with hope

And ya ass, may learn how to cope It's not always good just to get by Who's coverin' when ya stakes when ya bet high? You're cha-sin', cars, clothes and rocks

Identify with the goods you got Make sure it's V-S-One, not And perfect, leavin' you one clear I really don't care to see ya tattoos there

I'd rather see you graduate the school year Black folk, go put a book in ya face But first give the hook a taste Bring the preacher in

Heal, heal, y'all We comin' healin' It's real, it's real It's realer than real, realer than real

Heal, y'all We comin' healin', so better heal It's real. it's real It's realer than real, realer than real

It's a sick world that we live in, let some tell it Some put it in books, some yell it You need to make your own choice

Be your own voice

Set ya soap-box up, let your talk fight Pull ya socks up, get ya walk right Or the chalk might outline ya one day You oughta try steppin' outside you one day

You circle 'round yourself Like you the answer To the question of your inner son But keep ya falsehoods to a minimum

We all need a little church A life update, keyword, update If they don't serve change, don't bite the bait Instead'a givin' you a share, servin' you a dish

I lead you to the water, show you how to fish Ain't nothin' wrong makin' that bread wid'it But don't let the bread get to ya head, geddit? And now admit it, when you can't stand alone

I wanna stand up, give all the pretend up And get a full blast of my demands of The rhyme runner said the man's come There's something in our words that reveal, sho 'nough real

Heal y'all, we come to heal So let it heal you It's real, it's real It's realer than real, realer than real

Heal y'all, we gonna heal it So let it heal It's real, so real It's realer than real, for real, for real

The early bird gets the worm in this rotten apple But explore deep and you will the find the seed Plant more ether, get your mind free We roll passsionate, put your lights last in it

You're holdin' fear too close, unfasten it And like old age invades youth, invade falseness with truth Replace rebelling with rebirth, face new dwelling, that's your turf Now kick back and put your feet up on the sofa

Relax, learn how to punch back and do your work to the

max

The payoff's much sweeter than the payback Even the haysack needle wouldn't play that So let's pray at, church, church

Heal, heal y'all We comin' healin' It's real, it's real It's realer than real, realer than real

Heal y'all, we comin' healin' So let it heal It's real, it's real It's realer than real, realer than real

Reality, reality, real Reality, reality, real Reality, reality, real

You know what I mean? Rap outsold crack You know, so rap, or hip-hop culture However you wanna dice it, you know what I'm sayin' It's the most powerful drug there is, man It changed corporate America, it changed the way you feel about me It change the way that I, I do my thing now Busta was the one who came out, on the award show and said that Hip-hop provides jobs for people who don't even love the shit I mean, come one man, I mean what else is there to say?

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