

## **Boogie Down Productions**

### **"Why is That?"**

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#### Verse One

The day begins, with a grin  
And a prayer to excuse my sins  
I can walk anywhere I choose  
Cause everybody listens to the B.D.P. crew  
We're not here for glamour or fashion  
But here's the question I'm askin  
Why is it young black kids taught {flashin?}  
They're only taught how to read, write, and act  
It's like teachin a dog to be a cat  
You don't teach white kids to be black  
Why is that? Is it because we're the minority?  
Well black kids follow me  
Genesis chapter eleven verse ten  
Explains the geneology of Chem  
Chem was a black man, in Africa  
If you repeat this fact they can't laugh at ya  
Genesis fourteen verse thirteen  
Abraham steps on the scene  
Being a descendent of Chem which is a fact  
Means, Abraham too was black  
Abraham born in the city of a black man  
Called Nimrod grandson of Kam  
Kam had four sons, one was named Canaan  
Here, let me do some explaining  
Abraham was the father of Isaac  
Isaac was the father of Jacob  
Jacob had twelve sons, for real  
And these, were the children of Isreal  
According to Genesis chapter ten  
Egyptains descended from {Hahm,Kam}  
Six hundred years later, my brother, read up  
Moses was born in Egypt

In this era black Egyptians weren't right  
They enslaved black Isrealites  
Moses had to be of the black race  
Because he spent forty years in Pharoah's place  
He passed as the Pharoah's grandson  
So he had to look just like him  
Yes my brothers and sisters take this here song

Yo, correct the wrong  
The information we get today is just wack  
But ask yourself, why is that?

#### Verse Two

The age of the ignorant rapper is done  
Knowledge Reigns Supreme Over Nearly Everyone  
The stereotype must be lost  
That love and peace and knowledge is soft  
Do away with that and understand one fact  
For love, peace must attack  
And attack real strong, stronger than war  
To conquer it and its law  
Mental pictures, stereotypes and fake history  
Reinforces mystery  
And when mystery is reinforced  
That only means that knowledge has been lost  
When you know who you really are  
Peace and knowledge shines like a star  
I'm only showin you a simple fact  
It Takes A Nation of MILLIONS to Hold Us people Back  
Which is wack, but we can correct that  
Teach and learn what it is to be black  
Cause they're teachin birds to be a cat  
But ask yourself homeboy, why is that?

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