

Goapele "If We Knew"

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There was boy
Bout two years old
That's much too young
Too see what would unfold
His dad so bold
So full of lies
Caught up in things
That would take his life
He'd leave behind
Old words unsaid
His loved ones left
To deal with it

So when his boy got older
With less than a little guidance
Needed more assurance
A little strength and courage

But he knew what he knows now
He may bewith us still
If he knew what he knows now
ooohhh
2nd verse

There was girl
Bout three years old
To laugh and play
Should have been what goes
Her family moved
From place to place
Free spirits and
Money they couldn't waste
She'd be alone
More times than few
Too many men
Trusted and out of view
One took her in
And used his mind
Scarred her inside
And changed her life
So when she had daughters of her own
Her memories could no longer escape her

They affected all the choices that she would make
But if she knew what she knows now
She wouldn't take the blame
If she knew what she knows now

I was the girl
Who felt so strong
Bout anything
In this world when I saw wrong
I analyze
Sometimes cry alone
When it got too much
I had a place to turn
I wish that I
Could heal your pain
Capture your truth
Secrets filled with shame
Cuz if you want I'll tell the world
All the things you couldn't say
And hope that you can find your way

Cuz I know what I know now
I was preparing for today
If we knew what we know now
We could have made a better day
If we knew what we know now
We'd know there was a different way
If we knew what we know now

break

But we all learn by example
We can become our worst fear
Certain lesson we should on
Some don't serve us anymore
Our parents raised us how they knew how
They didn't know a better way
I just try as hard you do
Cuz don't wanna make the same mistake

Hope that you
Can find your way
Hope that you
Can find your way
Hope that you
Can find your way

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