

## Joey McIntyre

### "Life"

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(Royce talking)  
Come here Royce

(Royce talking over chorus)  
Come over here, sit down, let me talk to you  
Right here, over here  
Sit on daddy's lap  
I want to tell you something

(Chorus: Amerie) [Royce]

Life is a moment in space  
When the dream is gone, it's a lonelier place  
[This is life]  
Life is a moment in space  
When the dream is gone, it's a lonelier place

[Royce]  
Listen, yo  
Little Royce Nickel Nine, eyes wide with sight  
With a future as bright as the light in the eyes of Christ  
Ready to take on the world and whatever is in it  
Proof read, sign, and seal whatever you finish  
I can only lead you while you're on your quest for  
knowledge  
I'ma teach you to have sense and to respect the dollar  
Hope for the best, and you'll see, your world will be  
solid  
I'ma teach you the truth, even behind worldly logic  
This is life, cut and dry, days is bright, nights is dark  
Fights get sparked, it's almost like to get ahead  
You got to be twice as smart, the realities of life is  
harsh  
Just know that God's keeping you level  
He'll even speak through the ghetto to reach you  
Just to teach you that the streets is the devil  
Everybody's dishonest, different  
Which means that we're dying by livin'  
Oblivious to the time that we're given  
So you don't prepare for the death, you live for the life  
And live right like, do right by your kids and your wife

Have fun as a child, yo them years is precious  
The future brings fear and stresses as the year  
progresses  
You're gonna turn a lot of them down, you're gonna  
feel rejection  
You're gonna tell a lot of lies and you're gonna hear  
confessions  
It's a two way street when you deal in his presence  
Only your life can show that everything is real in this  
message  
This is life

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[Royce]

Yo, the whole world is upon you, the pressure is on  
And you can probably sum your life up the best when  
you're gone  
Upon the creation of all men, destiny's born  
For us to reproduce, so you can keep the legacy goin'  
I know you think I'm Superman, but I got weaknesses  
too  
I keep a firm leash on things by believing in you  
And after I'm gone I live on breathing through you  
And anything I had in this life, I leave it to you  
Aim for the sky and fly till you come back down  
I had you the baton and you run, till you come back  
'round  
Let your heart tell your temper, "Put that gun back  
down!"  
Dry your tears up and turn that frown upside-down  
It'd be plenty to cry for, think life, not death  
You got much more to live for than to die for  
But you got to stay humble  
Cause just as hard as your work to get it  
There's people working harder to take it from you  
Cause life, something that people take for granted  
As time passes, you're gonna want something back  
But you won't get it cause history is made every second  
So you crave every lesson and save every blessin'  
No matter how you view the world yo, you never will get  
it  
The world will be the world through the eyes of  
whoever is in it  
But things ain't gonna always go right

Look at it like, yo this ain't your day, but this your life,  
and live  
Life

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[Amerie]  
There will be trials and tribulations  
But don't let them, don't let them, don't let them bring  
you down  
I said you better keep going to your destination  
After your darkest hour the sun will come around

(Royce talking)  
This is life  
Yo I don't care, I don't care if this song don't sell one  
copy  
That's not even what it's for  
It's for you, my boy  
This is life

(Amerie singing in the background)  
You gotta keep going on, you gotta keep moving on  
Be strong, be strong, be strong  
Cause this is life

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