

## Jurassic 5

### "Like Toy Soldiers"

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[Intro: interpolation of "Toy Soldiers" by Martika]  
Step by step, heart to heart  
Left right left, we all fall down..

[Chorus: interpolation of "Toy Soldiers"]  
Step by step, heart to heart  
Left right left, we all fall down  
Like toy soldiers  
Bit by bit, torn apart  
We never win, but the battle wages on  
We're toy soldiers

[Verse 1]  
I'm supposed to be the soldier, who never blows his  
composure  
Even though I hold the weight of the whole world on my  
shoulders  
I ain't never 'sposed to show it, my crew ain't supposed  
to know it  
Even if it means goin toe to toe with the Benzino  
It don't matter I'd never drag 'em in battles that I can  
handle  
'less I absolutely have to, I'm supposed to set an  
example  
I need to be the leader, my crew looks for me to guide  
'em  
If some shit ever does pop off, I'm supposed to be  
beside 'em  
That Ja shit, I tried to squash it, it was too late to stop it  
There's a certain line you just don't cross, and he  
crossed it  
I heard him say Hailie's name on a song, and I just lost  
it  
It was crazy, the shit went way beyond some Jay-Z and  
Nas shit  
And even though the battle is won I feel like we lost it  
I spent so much energy on it, honestly I'm exhausted  
And I'm so caught in it, I almost feel I'm the one who  
caused it  
This ain't what I'm in hip-hop for, it's not why I got in it  
That was never my object, for someone to get killed

Why would I want to destroy somethin I helped build?  
It wasn't my intentions, my intentions were good  
I went through my whole career without ever mentionin  
{Suge}  
And that was just out of respect, for not runnin my  
mouth  
And talkin about somethin that I knew nothin about  
Plus Dre told me stay out, this just wasn't my beef  
So I did, I just fell back, watched and gritted my teeth  
While he's all over TV, now I'm talkin a man  
who literally saved my life, like fuck it I understand  
This is business, and this shit just isn't none of my  
business  
I'm still knowin this shit could pop off at any minute,  
because

[Chorus]

[Verse 2]

There used to be a time when, you could just say a  
rhyme and  
wouldn't have to worry about, one of your people dyin  
But now it's elevated, cause once you put someone's  
kids in it  
the shit gets escalated, it ain't just words no more is it?  
It's a different ball game, you call names and you ain't  
just rappin  
We actually tried to stop the 50 and Ja beef from  
happenin  
Me and Dre had sat with him, kicked it and had a chat  
with him  
And asked him not to start it, he wasn't gonna go after  
him  
Until Ja started yappin in magazines how he stabbed  
him  
Fuck him, 50 smash him, mash him and let him have it  
Meanwhile my attention's pulled in another direction  
Some receptionist at The Source who answers phones  
at his desk  
has an erection for me and thinks that I'll be his  
resurrection  
Tries to blow the dust off his mic and make a new  
record  
But now he's fucked the game up, cause one of the  
ways I came up  
was through that publication, the same one that made  
me famous  
Now the owner of it, has got a grudge against me for  
nothin?  
Well fuck it, that motherfucker could get it too, fuck  
him then

But I'm so busy bein pissed off, I don't stop to think  
That we just inherited 50's beef with Murder INC  
And he's inherited mine, which is fine, ain't like either  
of us mind  
We still have soldiers that's on the front line  
that's willin to die for us as soon as we give the orders  
Never to extort us, strictly to show they support us  
And maybe shout 'em out in a rap or up in the chorus  
To show them we love 'em back and let 'em know how  
important it is  
to have Runyon Avenue soldiers up in our corners  
Their loyalty to us is worth more than ANY award is  
But I ain't tryin to have none of people hurt or  
murdered  
It ain't worth it, I can't think of a perfecter way to word it  
Than to just say that I love y'all too much to see the  
verdict  
I'll walk away from it all, 'fore I let it go any further  
But don't get it twisted, it's not a plea that I'm coppin  
I'm just willin to be the bigger man if y'all can quit  
poppin  
off at your jaws well then I can, cause frankly I'm sick of  
talkin  
I'm not gonna let someone else's coffin rest on my  
conscience cause

[Chorus]

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