

## **Lecrae**

# **"Gotta Know"**

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You just gotta know  
You ever feel like life just coming at ya a million miles  
an hour?  
You just gotta know, you just gotta know  
Somebody's holding it all together

Life is like an elevator, a lot of ups and downs  
People pushing your buttons and getting jerked around  
I used to lurk around town trying to work around  
Working so that I could hit the ground with the perfect  
sound

Even perfect sound sounds like work  
When you spend your time flirting with the crown in the  
perp  
I was bound for berzerk with a layover in crazy  
A lazy Jay-Z hoping rock-a-fellas paid me

Or rocking ladies would cop me a Mercedes  
But that whole dream was in '80's, baby  
Missed that shot like the cop that's crooked  
TV goes off, third eye still looking

Mom's still cooking, I can always go home  
Even though I'm five years past grown  
Here I go again, I'm still chasing the wind, I can't win  
When it gets hot, it boils down to sin  
If heaven ain't a gift, then I ain't getting in, man

I can't even find the words for the way I feel  
So I paint a picture, I paint a picture  
I've been going down this road, seen some crazy  
things  
So I paint a picture, you gots to see it

You just gotta know, you just gotta know  
You just gotta know, you just gotta know

Yeah, I sit and hear the guitars play  
Wonder if they could, what would stars say?  
Or Venus and Mars say, ours say that we want it our  
way

Stars so desperate to shine that they go on living the  
hard way

The intellect to travel to Mars but so blind  
We worship Venus but she don't even know who we are  
And she never cared why? 'Cause she wasn't there  
When I was trying to drown my sorrows in a pool of  
despair

I ain't perfect, sometimes I feel worthless  
Worthless than that is the image that I'da purchased  
Man, from the shades to the shirt, to the shoes  
Just another fool trying to cover he's confused, that  
ain't cool

Sometimes I hate the man in the mirror  
'Cause I know he's a liar and a cheater and a killer  
People say they love him but they love what he can give  
'em  
But deep inside he knows that there's a reason for him  
living

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Uh, you know I need you like Aqua  
Day without ya got me so nauseous  
If I ain't cautious, I'm gonna self-inflict my sickness  
You know it's true, you as my witness

At how you witness, my inconsistent  
Yes, the ovation when I need your assistance  
And I just gotta know that even though I'm a misfit  
I'm still worth more than calamity's French kiss

Yes, I'm loved and I'm pursued  
And though I can't feel it, still I know that it's true  
Somebody woke me up and yeah, I know it was you  
And yet I keep trying to steer clear of your view

'Cause if you get me, I know that you got me  
But I'm so insecure I can't believe that you want me  
But then I heard you went on your way to adopt me  
Well, you can have my all if you swear you won't drop  
me

'Cause I gotta know, yeah

You just gotta know, gotta know, gotta know  
You just gotta know, gotta know, gotta know that it's  
real  
You just gotta know, gotta know, gotta know that it's  
real  
You just gotta know, gotta know that it's real

You just gotta know, gotta know, gotta know  
You just gotta know, gotta know, gotta know that it's  
real  
You just gotta know, gotta know, gotta know that it's  
real  
You just gotta know, gotta know that it's real

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