

Lil Flip "What I Been Through"

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Hi, this is the Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous
Today we're interviewing Lil' Flip, what's up man
So Lil' Flip tell me, how long have you been rapping?
Man, I've been rappin' ever since

1995 I was in junior high
I saw a lotta shit, so I was glad to be alive
A lot of people died, but a lot of people here
And when I turned 15, my vision got clear

It's time to be a man, time to make a plan
It's cool to make a hundred, but it's best to make a
grand
My granny got sick and then they found cancer
We got to pay the doctors but God got the answer

The surgery went good, my Granny doin' well
My career takin' off, so I can't go to jail
And to my niggas on the block, stop sellin' rocks
'Cause I'ma tell the truth you can't outsmart the cops

You see what I did, I only drop hits
Choppin' up game, y'all choppin' up bricks
And some niggas snitch 'cause they can't take the heat
How we gon' go buy a system when the system got his
beat

Hey, I'm from the home of the Astros, home of the
Rockets
Born to rap yo, with a microphone in my pocket
Always thought I was grown, you couldn't tell me
nothin'
I would talk shit if you tried to tell me somethin'

But I regret that, I had some minor setbacks
Old people thought my future would be jet black
All my years growin' up, I thought life was a game
You can't make it real far, thinkin' life is a game

Yet we lost a couple of friends, I almost lost my brother
I don't know what would've happened if we lost each
other

Everyday is somethin' new, I just take it in strides
You only got one life, so enjoy the ride

Sometimes I was paid, sometimes I was broke
Me and Gray started hustlin' but my Mama didn't know
But it's cool, 'cause now I'm into this music
The man gave us a gift and we lovin' to use it

And if you look real close you'll see
That you can only be you, and I can be me
Because can't nobody ever live my life but me
But you will never see what I see like me, ha, me, ha

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It's gettin' harder now I just don't understand
Why the people in the world disgrace the black man
All that I can say, is pray and let it be
Live right and try your best not to end up like me

See I was the nigga that slang dope and steal cars
Glad I stopped before it led behind bars
Heart aches and scars, help me feel my way
Understand today I got a decision to make

Now do I wanna live right or continue goin' wrong
I'm never at home, this music keep a nigga gone
But this is what gets me, who are you to judge
'Cause I'm young and black, people still hold a grudge

Just a nudge right now'd push me over the end
When I was 14, I lost a very close friend
And ever since then my life ain't been the same
That's the biggest reason why I had to make a change

Never judge a book by it's cover, a man by his wealth
And if you already on your feet why don't you help
somebody else
This what I was taught, so that's what I live by
'Cause you can't take none of this shit with you when
you die

So everyday I try to keep my head high

But these bird ass niggas always jump fly
Should I take 'em out the game, nah, I'ma use my brain
I'm a kill 'em with kindness, and blow up my name

I came from nothin', and now I got a little change
A nigga happy now but I went through some pain
And everyday it rain, there's gone be some sunshine
I never thought I could put my whole life in one rhyme

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