

Marvin Gaye "Cloud Nine"

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The childhood part of my life wasn't very pretty
You see, I was born and raised in the slums of the city
It was a one-room shack we slept in, the children
beside me
We hardly had enough food or rooms, it was a hard
time
Needed somethin' to ease my troubled mind

Ooh listen, father didn't know the meaning of work
He disrespected Mama and treated her slightly
I left home seekin' a job that I never did find
The first thing, downhearted, I took to cloud nine

I'm doin' fine up here on cloud nine
Listen, one more time
I'm doin' fine up here on cloud nine

Folks now tell me
They say, "Give yourself a chance
And don't let life pass you by"
But the world around you is a rat race
Where only the strong survive

It's a dog-eat-dog world and that ain't no lie
It ain't even safe no more
To walk the streets at night

I'm doin' fine on cloud nine
Let me tell you about cloud nine
(Cloud nine)
You can be what you wanna be
(Cloud nine)
You ain't got no responsibility

(Cloud nine)
Yeah, every man, every man is free
(Cloud nine)
You're a million miles from reality
(Reality, up up and away)
I wanna say up higher, cloud nine

I wanna say I love the life I live

And I'm gonna live the life I love
Up here on cloud nine
Uh uh uh uh, I'm ridin' high on cloud nine

You're as free as a bird in flight
(Cloud nine)
There's no difference between day and night
(Cloud nine)

It's a world of love and harmony
(Cloud nine)
You're a million miles from reality
(Reality, up up and away)
I wanna say up higher

(Cloud nine)
You can be what you wanna be
(Cloud nine)
You ain't got no responsibility
(Cloud nine)

Every man in his mind is free
(Cloud nine)
You're a million miles from reality
(Cloud nine)
You can be what you wanna be

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