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"No Idea's Original"

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Look inside my mind, you'll find
Where bodies are buried, first look past the hotties who
dimes
Go to the center, enter with caution, past the braincell
graveyard
Where weed's responsible for memory loss
Let's witness, the horrific, the stench'll make you
nauseous
See what I seen every day I live with this torture

Lightin' up to stay high like 24 hours
Sleep with my, wash with my in the shower
My tongue is power, it thrills women, kills demons
Long as I'm still breathin' I'm still winnin', I'll teach 'em
The hood converted from trey bags to 20's a girl
Everybody had money, every summer was real ill
Four-finger rings, dealers

No half steppin' with flat tops when Rakim reigned
Radios on card tables, Benetton, the Gods buildin'
Ask for today's mathematics, we Allah's children
And this was goin' on in every New York ghetto
Kids listened, five percenters said it's pork and Jell-o
We coincide, we in the same life, maybe a time
difference
On a different coast, but we share the same sunlight
Your part of the world, might be like colors and gangs

While on my side, brothers'll for different things
But it all revolve around, fame and shorties
Stuck for your bling, stripped for your chain, the same
story
From, Czechoslovakia to Texas metropolis
Them, treacherous rocksters in the Mexican mafias
Be scrappin' with tats on they back, violent wars
Nothin' less than a lethal injection if ever caught
Courtrooms, eagles and flags, American style

While in our world, the ghetto stays incredibly foul
Watchin' for paint chips, don't want no led in yo' child
But them gangstas put lead in yo' child, the bezzy be
out
The chain be like a hundred K
Shinin' since Roxanne Shante' made 'Runaway' that's
been a minute
Genesis is deep, my features are that of a God
It's not a facade it's a fact, these rappers wanna be Nas
My Exodus doesn't exist

I'll never leave the streets, it's all in my mind
Even with sleep I'm duckin' in my dreams
Sirens, wide awake, why'd I think it would change
Can't hide when you famous or even try to do the same
things like
Somebody's always watchin', my life
Before I, walk out the door I size up every option
Eyes cut every direction, it's like God or guns
Which is better protection? Can't decide, that's a hard
one
I mean they wanna see me in prison, the chains
bamboozled
Headline readin' 'Rapper Slain From a Man'

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