

## Nas "The Cross"

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Y'all can keep y'all weak beats from your corny  
producers  
There's a new king in the streets, you're gonna get  
used to  
I was the old king in the streets, that y'all once hated  
But now I reinvented myself and y'all all waited  
Nas, N.A.S. mean Niggaz Against Society  
Noisy I aim not silently, noose all surroundin' me

I hang 'em, I string 'em up ain't no thing I just drop 'em  
To which doctor you copped and you locked and it ain't  
what it was  
I changed it up from that pop shit it's hard to see R&B  
Rappers arguably, started fuckin' up the game horribly  
'Cause, I parted the sea, then these novices targeted  
me  
Bitches infatuated say they love me, lyin' to me

What I've discovered is my brother's tryin' to be  
The next me, yeah I support him but he's blinded I see  
Jealousy he love me to death, am I buggin'? I love him  
for life  
We both still mournin' on our mother's life

And I don't need much but a Dutch, a bitch to fuck  
A six, a truck, some guns to bust  
I wish it was that simple, the last emperor, hit yo' ass  
With the nasty Nas, diary, get out my path

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I can't keep a bitch 'cause none of them come up for a  
little less  
I can't be too rich, too many hoes lined up for sex  
I can't rest until my niggaz in houses with pretty maids  
Water and flowers in 'em  
While my niggaz walk around in they trousers grinnin'

Gotta keep a lot of heat, 30 cal 10 millimeters  
40 cal plus the heckler to set y'all straight  
You too light? I shoot your freckles out  
You too dark? The infrared show you what the tech  
about  
Huh? I'm stressin' out, need more offices for bosses  
Secretaries and meetings with big sharks, who mad  
greedy

We can sell mo', boats on the coast  
Give, coats to the po' and give hope to the broke then  
live low  
But that ain't reality, I look happy but under the sky  
You see a nigga who know, out of three women 2 out of  
3  
Will love you but lead you to they own hidden evil

Bitch you the reason niggaz be beefin', hoe get on  
Posed to be earth, ain't worth the pussy that you sit on  
From here on, it's a new day, million dollars ain't what it  
was yesterday  
Many problems, many niggaz, most involved but they  
fake  
Hope y'all relate

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