Dead Prez "These Are The Times"

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Verse 1:

The televisions have eyes

Your modern religion is live

Plotting a collision world wide

Watch the hour glass the power class

Showing currency for world supremacy

Burroughs is burned down deliberately son

We ain't about whats devil level

Smell the gun metal

King to mo' man

I read mouths Satan

Feel the foul taste that run on my tongue

Burn a L for everyone of my sons

There so much more than just herb in my lungs

Similar to spilt Mercury,

With enough force

They could've killed Hercules

This whole nation was built

Virtually, from capital to captivity

The earth could be the modest??

You not listening

It's cold outside

They got the whole South side

Using bar codes,

Military blocks on all the state roads

And worse, somebody's chold got hung

They took his pants off,

Covered his whole body with ants, and cut his hands

off

The type of shit that have your brain bleedin'

They about to start scanning the back of niggas hands

And get your vein readin'

They call it New World Order

But, son, this game is in the fourth quarter

World War 3, don't drink the water

Because...

Chorus:

These are the times that try a nigga sole

Population control,

We wasting time chasing gold

They after more than your mind

They want your nation as a whole

It's time to take of the blindfold(I know) x2 (A thousand men. a thousand sorrows)

Verse 2:

These are the times that try my thug sole

White collar crime

Deaf tones, gold, and drug sold

The truth is never told

I call it black Holocaust

Some say all is lost

But in the end

Your life is all it costs

Pronounce counter ??

Global 2000 ??, what they plan to do

In case of emergency

They building mad prisons with urgency

Son, I solemnly swear

They keep them slugs in the air

Until they murder me

Shut down the government

Revelutionaries be lovin' it

Clinton flee the country in a bubblejet

Trouble is yet to come,

For each crime, they tryin' niggas three times

Then probably prosecute me for this rhyme

International nickel and dime hustlers

Move weight and muscle us around

But my army bustin' rounds

Shells covered the ground for miles

Street ?? from here to Capitol Hill

And you can read it on a dollar bill

Chorus

I know(I know)

The time(the time)

They trying to take this world(world)

Of mine(Yeah) x2

Verse 3:

They breakin' windows out with canisters of tear gas

Put out the cannabis

We fighting canibals with silver badges

I feel the madness in the wind

Like a premonition

Dee got the ammunition

Puffin' reefer while we cleaning pieces

None of my niggas don't believe in Jesus

We fight a war against the ?? Chevrolet Caprices

Whatever way we find feasible

Sometime shit be unbelievable

I'm seeing skeletons in parked vehicles

Put all the terrible types behind sandbags

My philosophy is much more than snatch your handbag

I'm talkin' shit like hand-to-hand,

Man-to-man, clan-for-clan
What side you stand?
Some of us will breakdown mentally
Some of us will pass away
Overwhelmed by injuries
But our victory is meant to be
I studied the signs for twenty-two years
And this is what it meant to me
Chorus x2
I know(I know)
The time(the time)
They tryin to take this world(world)
Of mine x2

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