

**T.i.**  
**"Better Than This"**

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[Intro]

Huh

Ok, yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh

Ay, Ok, Ay, Ay, Ay, Ay, Ok

Come on

[Repeat]

[Verse 1]

I never know whether I'm livin fo tomorrow or dyin fo today

But either way I'm tryna move a hundred dymes in a day

They sat that crime don't pay, but I'm gone stay on the grind in the A

Wit the same ole j's

I know the lames gone say that I done changed no way

I'm in the gutta everyday tryna slang mo ya

In the middle of the trap, we hang the dro blaze

Niggaz in the trap ain't changed in 4 dayz

Waitin on a page dat sayin the blow came

Instead of us just finding mo ways to get paid

Anyway, in the fire, I done been there homey

Niggaz ball, niggaz die and ain't shit fair homey

Dem crackers give ya some time and get to sit there

homey

My niggaz dyin, I'll see ya when I get there homey

Ay, Born alone, die alone in life

But right or wrong, folk it's on fo life

Just be betta than me

[Chorus]

Shawty, the streets ain't the place to be

I'm telling you cuz it's to late fo me

Ay be betta than me

Crackas love nuttin betta to see then young niggaz wit a felony sheet

So be betta than me

I know ya mamma waitin faithfully on her baby to graduate ya see

You way betta than me

Betta than us, betta than this, take a chance nigga

change some shit  
You could be betta than me

[Verse 2]

Ay, its rules in the game son, learn it young  
When dez hatas speak yo name man burn dey tongue  
Neva be ashamed of how ya live or where ya from  
You stack a mill, niggaz will see how far you come  
Without a gun, you got somethin'll make 'em bar you  
son  
That's a million dollar mind, why, dez niggaz is dumb  
Yea they gon get outta line, but dez niggaz is scum  
They outta sight and outta mind 'til you visit the slum,  
stay down  
Stay on the grind and yo digits'll come, bottom line  
You gotta shine no matta what you become  
Dez streets is 40 percent of yo mind and 5 percent  
muscle  
10 struggle, 10 time, and 35 percent hustle  
And trust if dey don't burry the scared, dey burry the  
dead  
When anticipatin pistol play, be very prepared  
And if you ain't, find somewhere to burry yo head  
Because them hot ones from the choppas tear ya body  
to shreds  
I said

[Chorus]

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[Verse 3]

In a broke down Cadillac, ridin' high  
Not many trusts in this life either shine or die  
Ima live one of two ways, either grind or cry  
And Ima grind it out, even if I'm dyin it out  
Ain't got no mo than me, so what the fuck you lyin  
about  
That man right there, but ain't gon be when dey start  
findin out  
That that bullshit you be talkin ain't the real deal

That ain't you blow, them ain't yo cars so how you really  
live  
See what you need to do is take a chilly-willy pill  
Go and chill yo ass out, fo dey deal yo ass out  
A bad hand from a mad man, in a mad clan  
All dem otha niggaz take a fall you gon take the last  
stand  
Gnawed in, sawed in, how everybody ball  
when everybody else is all in you don't know where to  
fall in?  
Need some Flaw Henn, I'm telling you shawty  
and don't be buyin none of dat bullshit sellin you  
shawty  
And all that otha shit they talkin is irrelevant shawty  
Tell 'em, show you the papa, fo dey show you the cable  
You see a whole different nigga when you open dem  
drables  
follow hatas nuttin holy can saves us  
Shawty be betta than me

[Chorus]

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[Repeat 1]

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