# The Temptations <br> "Cloud Nine" 

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Dennis: The childhood part of my life Wasn't very pretty, see...
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Dennis: I was born and raised In the slums of the city,
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Dennis: It was a one-room shack
That slept ten other children beside me,
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Dennis: We hardly enough food
Or room to sleep
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom Dennis: It was hard times...
I needed somethin' to ease my troubled mind
Dennis: Oooh listen...
My father didn't know the meaning of work
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Dennis: He disrespected mama,
And treated us like dirt
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Dennis: I left home seeking a job
That I never did find
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Dennis: Depressed and down-hearted
And I took to cloud nine
Temptations: Boom, boom-boom, boom
Paul: I'm doing fine
Up here, on cloud nine
Dennis: Listen, one more time
Paul: I'm doing fine
Up here, on cloud nine
Dennis: Folks down there tell me...

Dennis: They say give yourself a chance, son, don't let life pass you by,
Temptations: Woo, woo, woo
Dennis: But the world, around you's, is a rat race
Where only the strongest survive,
It's a dog-eat-dog world

And that ain't no lie, Temptations: Ain't no lie Dennis: It ain't even safe no more
To walk the streets at night

Temptations: I'm doing fine
On cloud nine

Dennis: Let me tell 'bout cloud nine...
Temptations: Cloud nine
Paul: You can be what you want to be
Temptations: Cloud Nine
Dennis: You ain't got no responsibility Temptations: Cloud Nine
Eddie: And every man, every man is free
Temptations: Cloud nine
Dennis: You're a million miles from reality
Paul: Reality
Temptations: I wanna' stay up
Eddie and Otis: Higher
Temptations: Up and up,
Up and away

Temptations: Cloud nine

Eddie: I wanna' say I love the life I live,
And I'm going to live, the life I love
Or be on cloud nine...
I, I, I, I, I, I'm ridin' high
Temptations: On cloud nine
Dennis: You're as free as a bird in flight
Temptations: Cloud nine
Melvin: There's no difference between day and night
Temptations: Cloud nine
Eddie: It's a world of love and harmony
Temptations: Cloud nine
Dennis: You're a million miles from reality
Paul: Reality

Temptations: I wanna' stay up
Eddie and Otis: Higher
Temptations: Up and up, up and away
Temptations: Cloud Nine
Paul: You can be what you want to be, ah
Temptations: Cloud nine
Dennis: You ain't got no responsibility
Temptations: Cloud nine
Eddie: Every man in his mind is free

Temptations: Cloud nine
Dennis: You're a million miles from reality
Temptations: Cloud nine
Paul: You can be what you want to be

Temptations: all of them weave in and out with ad libs and choruses of "Boom-booms"
fade to end

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