

## Wyclef Jean "Streets Pronounce Me Dead"

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The return of the hip hop ammadeus  
Wyclef Toussaint St. Jean drama

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The resurrection of the dead, I could never get  
And if I ever die, all I do is ride

The streets pronounce me dead  
Puttin' two holes in my head  
At the funeral, I had more friends than the grateful  
dead  
Haters started talkin' sayin' I went left

Akon took my spot, will.i.am took my vest  
Started beatin' on the coffin 'cause I could hear the  
crowd  
But they can't hear me 'cause Lil' Jon's preachin' too  
loud  
That's when the bishop said last words for friends and  
family

Then the fans stood up and said y'all forgot the Fugees  
Fifty million records sold straight from the basement  
How y'all gon' tell me Wyclef is irrelevant  
A rapper stood up and said, yup I got amnesia  
Last time I remember him was Gone 'til November

He said I don't spit no more, all I do is sing songs  
Last time he felt me was when I rhymed with Big Pun  
That's right get the hate off ya chest  
You a rap con artist, not a Kanye West  
(I ain't dead)

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I mean the streets say it's been a while since they  
heard me spit  
That I spit so hard, my ghostwriter must be cannabis  
But far permit, this is how I started  
But my battle raps couldn't get me groceries from the  
super market  
So I found another target to aim at

I went from food stamps to the black a mac's  
Eight track cassettes, the CD's, the iPod's  
Bmx bixes, the hoopies, the hot rods  
And my swag come from Nazareth

How you gon' say I'm dead when I rose like Lazareth  
And this ain't mystic, I ain't talkin' voodoo  
We do carry spears like the Zulu's  
So watch your mouth boy, I ain't dead

Fo' the city gon' turn red, blood will shed  
So before you speak boy watch your tone  
Fo' my chrome gon' turn you to a statue of stone  
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They all got shocked when I rose from the coffin  
Dust my self off then headed out to new Jerusalem  
Destroyed and rebuilt, my voice sound like silk  
Audio tune like milk, I used to shop lift with no guilt

And Christmas time toy guns the size of elves  
I seen the ra-ta-ta-ta turn into the real shells  
Yup killa, you press ya luck

Went to sleep in the pond, woke up with the ducks

And this ain't gangsta talk, I don't talk the talk  
I suggest you walk or get outlined in chalk  
And you ain't from the street  
But yet you walk the streets  
You a C, O, P, a cop walkin' the beat

But the rule on the streets they could turn on you  
Like a pit bull after givin' him food  
Or the girl that you bought all the cars and the jewels  
Only to find out on memorial dey fuckin' in the  
swimmin' pool  
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Yea  
Warriors music  
Drama  
From the hut, to the projects, to the mansions  
So y'all know you, y'all ain't got no excuses  
I'm alive

Wyclef aka Toussaint St Jean

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