Angie Martinez F/ Busta Rhymes "I"

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I came from a place I forgot I woke up in a parking lot Far from a meal and a cot

On the corner

Where all the streets got the same name

Maybe my brains on the brink of insane

Pain between the papers while sleepin on the train

This the land of milk and honey

Know what I'm sayin

The invisible man times three

Black, down and out

Out standing on a corner no doubt

Now a nation of homeless

Sleepin in bus stations

Another win for the pilgrims

Who said no more haitians

As I proceed

Someone to feed me is what I need

Through three blocks of dealers

Tryin to hit me off wit weed

Avenue and boulevard hungry as a Motherfucker

Hope to get a ride from a trucker

Everybody know I ain't no sucker

Everyone used to drop 30 at the rucker

Away from crazy kids in generation wrecked

Dissin pyramids while praisin projects

Walk past old folks gettin no respect

Callin young folks a bunch a no good rejects

And I walk on

An eye for an eye

I can't recognize the man in the mirror

Is it I, it is I now who this cat I'm lookin at

Cause I've been waiting so long to get where I'm goin

An eye for a eye in this country tis of thee

Now how the hell can I be free

Who this cat I'm lookin at

Cause I been lost so long without anybody knowin

So I move on and I walk on

Past the preachers and the pimps gettin their talk on

Now why do home gotta be where the negative roam To be or not to be so I roll alone I'm trapped within this skin and these bones Temporary kings on cellular phones Can I last as I walk past Cigarette Billboards and Malt Liquor Ads Walkin on broken bottles and potato chip bags Everyone I see got the nerve to brag Where they from what they got And don't own squat Disrespect where they from and ya might get shot Zombies askin me what the latest Bomb Bay Should shot the fuckin sheriff and the fuckin deputy For ok in the drug trade and lettin it be But I know prison for me is an industry So I Walk I heard the best things in life be free

Didn't god make the land the air we breathe
Not for the homeless don't give a damn about me
In the mirror somebody else is starin at me
Maybe prison is the skin I'm within
All this time I been sufferin can't fix it wit a bufferin
Plus they said I'll never work in this town again
Damn so I keep on walkin

An eye for an eye

I can't recognize the man in the mirror
Is it I, it is I now who this cat I'm lookin at
Cause I've been waiting so long to get where I'm goin
An eye for an eye in this country tis of thee
Now how the hell can I be free
Who this cat I'm lookin at

Cause I been lost so long without anybody knowin

Lil day day is big day and just did time Seen him standin on the unemployment line Which collided wit the line of the health clinic I seen Crazy Stacy her ass standin up in it No more welfare cut her medicaid Damn my mama used to do her braids I keep walkin so they don't see me But I doubt if they doin any better than me So I walk on never take the planet for granted I paved the concrete, asphalt and granite I walk pastast three brothers sittin on the porch Wit a yard of dirt and littered wit Newports Talkin how they comin up while they sittin on their ass As I walk past em I'm a target of their laughs And one said lets get em for his fuckin stash As I walked fast past the other yards wit grass Had a lil cash tried to make it last

From a few deals I made from cleanin windshields
I ran like a rally they caught me in an alley
Can't get out the ghetto from New York to Cali
I thought I had nothin till I felt the knife
And now I ain't even got a life

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