

Ruben Blades

"No Ruben"

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Yeah man, these folks think just cause I won some
American Idol show, everythang aint the same. Man
you kno they see me on
T.v. or up in da crib every week. And you think
everything is all good. I mean, it really is all good man.
Keep
Securcurcurcure.

From hangin out late in the Elma, to Beverly Hills,
California. From hea-tin up the leftovers, to becomin a
restaraunt

Owner.

From a litle block, from a little hood, to the whole world
and it's all good. And if ya didn't know, i was a star
before

The show, but if it was....

[hook]

No block, No Ruben

No hood, No Ruben

No boulevards, No Ruben

No cornerspots, No Ruben

No stayin up late nights, tellin mama everything gone
be alright.

And if it wansn't no yoouuu...

There would be no Ruben.

From wearin my big brother's clothes, to buyin him a
new wardrobe (yes I did) From listenin to Fred
Hammond, to hangin out

Wit Fred Hammond. From a little block from a little
hood, to the whole world and it's all goood, and if ya
didn't know I

Was a star (was a star) before the show (before the
show) but if it waas...

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Aaaaahaaaaaheeey
This goes out to the barbershops, the black man's
country club.
And this goes out to the single mothers, at the laundry
mat fooldin covers. Your my inspiration, and you've
been my
Motivation. And that's whhyyy, I had to do this
dedication cause if it waaaaaas...

[hook]
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No hood, No Ruben
No boulevards, No Ruben
No cornerspots, No Ruben
No stayin up late nights, tellin mama everything gone
be alright.
And if it wansn't no yoouuu...
There would be no Ruben. [Repeat]

Hey Ruben let's take em to church...
If it wasn't for the block (No Ruben)
If it wasn't for the hood (No Ruben)
If it wasn't for the boulevards (No Ruben)
And and the cornerspots (Nooo Ruben)
Stayin up (late nights) late nights (tellin mama) tellin
mama (everything gone beee) all right (heeeyy)
And if it wasn't for yoouuu... there would be, there
would be, No Ruben. Ay Ruben I don't think they heard
you let's tell
Em again. [repeat]

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