

## Scribe

### "Broke As A Joke"

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Gettin' paid. Gettin' paid. It's all about payday man.  
These days a brother like V is well paid, but back then  
is when...

I wish I could say Money, Money, Money, Money On  
But it was Money, Money, Money Gone  
A Goldfinger with the Midas Touch  
But my Fort Knox went bust and I was on the Double  
Dutch  
Groovin' down the street ? My pockets musta sprung a  
leak  
And any offer made I couldn't turn the other cheek  
My outlook was blea - a day later and a dollar short  
Oh Lord! Sportin' kicks I couldn't afford  
Chaching! That's a sound that I hadn't heard back then  
I wished my ends were meetin' like a mother  
But the dividends weren't my friends, it seems they  
wanted sweet revenge  
For how I used up all they partners, so I'll get it in the  
end  
Yo, Friend or Foe? I don't know  
Was I the only latin that ain't won that lotto shit yet  
though?  
No cash. My present future aint like my past  
But the fact is those greenbacks were kickin' my ass.

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Material possessions are f'n up perceptions  
Better lessons learned than pockets overturned  
I was workin' towards a lucrative career but the buck  
steered clear  
And I was livin' out my greatest of fears  
Unemployment lines started lookin' fine

And see a penny pick it up was only savin' for a dime  
Searchin' for a way to get paid like Everlast  
But everlasting loot seemed farthest from my grasp  
Workin' on my studies - I had to put in work  
Workin' for a couple crumbs and feelin' like a jerk  
I ran out of savings and looked at my pops  
For a loan thinkin' to myself I'd never pay him off  
Wassup to Doe ? no cash, but flow  
He was in it with me like neighbors on Death Row  
Rappin' real fast about the tax that won't relax  
So F those greenbacks they can all kiss my ass.

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These days in the rap world all you hear about is gettin'  
paid.  
I got this ride or that whip or that chick  
I was straight up broke before I got paid.  
And there's no one out that can tell me otherwise.  
Man, you need to get up off your ass and get to workin'  
Put in work somewhere and get paid.  
Cuz bein' broke as a joke is no picnic, man.  
And I ain't no Captain Save'em.

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