

# **Blind Ernie** "Catch 22"

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[Prelude]

Man, my life man. Catch it whether I don't, catch it whether I do

So it really don't matter. Know what I'm sayin'?

[Chorus]

Catch twenty

Catch twenty, catch twenty-two

Twenty-two, twenty, twenty-two

[4x]

[Verse 1]

I'm comin' out slippery as a trout

Here is my handle here is my spout

Fresh brand new born baby on the planet

Almost aborted taken for granted

Sticky from the womb

And I feel doom

After the scrub

I can't feel no love

Doctor says get the fix 'cause my body's throwin' fits

Even thought I don't know what it is I need a hit

Every thing's shakin'. Why can't I stop?

Don't warm me up no bottle, spark me up a rock

Almost evicted, blood vessels constricted

I just got here and I'm addicted

Live or die what should I do?

Lord help me I'm in a catch 22

[Chorus]

[3x]

[Verse 2]

Yeah, I survived

And at the age of five

My mommy's off crack

Said she ain't goin' back

And from the looks of it you would think I got it made

Ever since mommy married Reverend Kinkade

But even at this age I feel the sickest kind of gloom

'Cause each and every night he keeps sneakin' in my

room

Touchin' me and feelin' me I wanna ring the bell But he says if I tell then I'ma go to hell And Lord I don't wanna go to hell I wanna be with you I'm in a catch 22

### [Chorus]

[Verse 3]

No, I never told, and now I'm 18 years old Sometimes chill sometimes bold Girls say "Uh, check him out he kinda fly" And I can't relate no matter how hard I try I'm afraid ever since Reverend Kinkade I don't understand how I'm made Something's gone wrong in my head Â- I wish I was dead The cuts on my wrist bled I guess that stuff about God ain't true 'Cause why would he leave me in a catch 22

#### [Chorus]

[Verse 4]

Yo kid ya gotta live to get fed up

You got's to come head up

And just don't let up
I know life's been bangin', boomin', hittin'
You can't catch a break so your thinkin' 'bout quittin'
But listen, the life lesson is in launchin' out into the
deep
You gotta keep fishin'. Theres one who centrals we

Yo you gotta keep fishin'. Theres one who controls who you are and be

Which is a slight definition of the Almighty But don't get it twisted, He's faithful and cares And won't allow you to go through more than you can bear

But with all your temptation, He'll give you an escape So whether you've been molested or whether you've been raped

Or born in the ghetto in a cold water flat
Blind, or deaf, handi- or capped
Hold on deliverance is nigh
'Cause you can get you piece of the pie
In the 'twinkling of an eye'
And God can't lie, it's a test, a plan
So will you still hold on when you can't understand?
Will you hold on so that God can get the glory?
You'll get the reward - He'll tell the story
About a person that had a hard life

The stress and the strife
And nothin' went right
And so much pain, didn't know what to do...
But still serve God despite the catch 22

## [Chorus]

[Tonic Extended Chorus:]
Indeed for real
We tryin'a say, catch 22, catch, catch 22
You catch it if you don't, you catch it if you do
Catch 22, catch, catch 22, but the catch 22 ain't true.
Ya!
Catch 22, catch, catch 22, you catch it if you don't, you catch it if you do
Catch 22, catch, catch 22, but the catch 22 ain't true for real. Word life
To my man Tubb, thanks for the phat track
We be The Gift. With my man Earthquake, ya, and I be
the Tonic

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