

## **Shemekia Copeland** **"Ghetto Child"**

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Little girl standin' on the corner  
Somebody, please won't you lend a hand?  
I'm just the ghetto child  
In this so-called, in this so-called free land

Somebody, somebody somewhere  
Somebody, please won't you give a dime?  
My mother, she's sick in the bed almost dying  
And I ain't seen, I ain't seen my daddy in a long time

Now this is the part that move me so much right here  
She said, "I know, I know I oughta be in school  
But I went to school one mornin' and the teacher, she  
told  
When you come back, child, have on some shoes"

I'm just the ghetto child  
Somebody, please, please help the ghetto child  
I'm just the ghetto child  
In this so-called, in this so-called free land

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