T-bone "Straighten It Out"

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Let's break it out all of this black-on-black Brown-on-brown, in every town Because I'm sick of seeing my people's sketches Scattered all over the ground

Since these murders occur every single day
So put the gun away because I want to live
To see another day, a happy day
Where there's peace between nations
Love within races and no division in the congregations

No more pimps and drug dealers on every corner A homeless people struggling with no home freeze And they pump for quarters, I am talkin' about a world of peace

With no mo' closed caskets if you know rows Like most of my homies that have been deceased

No more murderers, diseases or suicides, it's time we all wake up

And wipe the mucus from my sleepy eyes And straighten things out like a ruler 'cause nowadays The cart we juggle is full of hate, killas and runaways

I'm sick of it, so I'll be the first brother to shout Let's straighten it out 'cause together we can work it out

Let's straighten it out, from the west side to the east side

Let's straighten it out, from the north side to the south side

Let's straighten it out, from the east side to the west side

Let's straighten it out, from the south side to the north side

I wish somebody would tell me why We can't just straighten out all this mess At times I think my fat should be a bulletproof vest Got all these homies claiming south side, west side East side, north side, Asian, Black and Brown pride It seems that there's no mo hope, my own people's send me

Their guns and try to push me the dope, I can't cope But I gotta, why? Because I'm sick of all the shots ringing

From the sixty-fo and hollas

Remember where we was family, where we could kick it And not worry about your own kind killin' ya' Seems like all we care about is money and fame Drugs in the game, it's killin' me softly

Like Lauren from the Fugees sang
Man, what's it gonna take for us to grow up
Before love is the only gang sign we throw up?
'Cause all our peoples headin' straight for the morgue

Unless we put down the guns And start to trust in the Lord Let's straighten it out

I wonder what could make a man hit a woman wit' a furious hand

Somebody tell me because I just don't seem to understand

And then we wonder why y'all kids is bangin' with none at home

It seems the parents is the one givin' they kids a trainin'

Beatin' 'em down, with your fists and a buckle of a belt To prideful to accept that you needed some serious help

So you kept strikin' like thirsty bats straight out of hell But what you did was wrong, stop and listen to my song

It breaks my heart in two when I see the things you put them through

Why do you do all the harmful things that you do? Spiritually guided with deceive and rags on both your wives

Not knowin' you was led by demons when you made them cry

But you didn't quit till they finally ran away from home Then your wife left you too and now your sad and all alone

Just thinkin' about everything your family could have been

So now your squeezin' the trigger to leave this life of sin

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