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Gewesen Bin "My Life"

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[Verse 1]

I'ma take you back to day one, livin in this New York slum

It's deaf to the dumb, only break bread with some Moms left at 15, had no American dreams

To this day, I'm sellin to my cousin who's a fiend

No one would got me but my older brother

Little did we know the dirt we did fell back on my mother

But didn't care back then, that's why she left like that Now my parents became the street, and it's best like that

[Verse 2]

Some nights I pray to God and ask him to pull my cord Cuz times is hard like the opposite street'll leave you scarred

Street wise with no respect for authority and shit A chronic hustler of crack, a typical bitch Raised by madu who strung out on a glass dick But every now and then I blessed her with a hit So she don't have to trick It's prevalent amongst kids today Hustle krills, stack dough, and everything's okay

HOOK

It's the emancipation proclamation under the self devised guidelines

of self preservation and starvation (I gotta live) It's the emancipation proclamation under the self devised guidelines

of self preservation and starvation (and I gotta live)

[Verse 3]

My life in this world wasn't about diamonds and pearls It was rough growin up around the boys and girls After daddy left, shit was a mess, momma stressed But I give her an award, cuz damn she tried her best Holdin down the household, barely had money to fold Christmas time, cherished our little shit like gold I can't front, daddy was still there for me, cared for me

But him and mommy breakin up was like a nightmare to me

[Verse 4]

Yo this is for the younger fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers

Success is nothin if it aint if it was with the others
We gotta make the best out of this terrible situation
If not for us, for the younger generation
We gotta break the chain, and deal with the pain
For all our people that was slayed in vain (revenge)
For all our peoples that was falsely framed (revenge)
For all our peoples that's livin the name

HOOK

[Verse 5]

Let me show, I gotta love L.O.D., they put me under the wing

And then I teamed up with the most beautiful thing In the world, cuz L.O.D. we all we got I'm a fans and my mans keep it like it or not I know it hurts, havin to do everyday dirt Police all over my back, feel like bustin them jerks When I'm my road to the riches, I stay away from snitches

And them bitches, and keep my mind on business

[Verse 6]

Life was tough so I became aggressive like a pit
The only time I felt relaxed was when the blunt was lit
Thinkin me and my team can be tight like the gambino
Muscle in the hustle scene respected like Leno
It gets deeper than the words of Proverbs
New thoughts emerge, as I cop the squat on the curb
Thinkin the herb strengthen my brain like spinach
And heavy shine, flooded with ice might reduce my
self spirts

[Verse 7]

Stick em, my life is so real it hurts

Like when I saw my pops bein driven off in a hearse Like when I saw my mother bein driven off in a hearse Like you school when the roach crawl out my shirt Like on Thanksgiving when we got free food from the church

Back then it was DJ Red Alert and Kool Herc Rockin been stripe knees and latigra shirts Back then L.O.D. was puttin in work

From the cradle to the grave

We all in the struggle, we gon struggle, we gon strive to stay alive All my real people know what I'm talkin about Watch each other backs Word up, my life is nothing without my niggas, word up

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