

## Nas And Damian Marley "Friends"

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[Sampled Vocal Intro]

[Chorus 1 - Sample]

[Verse 1 - JR. Gong]

These later days in Babylon  
As I watch your children grow  
And the years them carry on  
And I miss you even more  
Still I send them to school  
And tell them  
What dem fi know  
All of mi friend dem mi  
salute  
Daddi gon and Lenny Screw  
Another year has come and past  
Man a drop like morning dew  
Uncle Warrick sick and gone  
When him couldn't catch a flew  
Picka T you a mi don  
Respect long and overdue  
When nothing never did a gwan  
You still have on somethin' new  
Our friendship ever last  
All when one minus from few  
Yes we surely had a blast  
We're like family Me and you  
A nuh every path you cross  
Lead to somebody whe true  
Of the many that are called  
Only chosen is a few

[Chorus 2 - JR. Gong]

Of the real friends that serve  
you long  
Your memories might fade  
Your real friends will serve you  
long  
Sunshine or rain  
Your real friends will serve you

â€©long  
Acquaintances â€©will â€©fade  
Your â€©real â€©friends â€©wont â€©do â€©you  
â€©wrong  
Realâ€© friend â€©don't â€©change

[Verseâ€© 2â€© -â€© Nas]  
Onlyâ€© talking â€©with â€©winners  
Aâ€© loser â€©or â€©two  
Got â€©my â€©number  
Still â€©theyâ€© think â€©they â€©real  
But â€©they â€©just â€©really â€©awfully â€©bitter  
Salty â€©n-ggaz Hateâ€© the â€©smarter â€©ones  
These â€©are â€©the â€©doubters  
Whoâ€©s ourâ€© 'bout â€©my â€©run  
Iâ€© barely â€©made â€©it â€©out â€©the  
â€©slums  
Myâ€© value â€©high Cause â€©I â€©do â€©more  
â€©than  
Rap â€©about â€©a â€©gun  
Iâ€© madeâ€© money â€©for â€©n-ggaz  
Ya'll â€©never â€©looking â€©out â€©for â€©none  
Iâ€© helped â€©millionaires â€©get â€©to â€©that  
â€©very â€©position  
Some â€©real â€©millionaires â€©see â€©that's  
â€©ill  
Cause â€©look â€©at â€©statistics  
Realâ€© millionaires  
And â€©Iâ€© ain't â€©talking â€©ghetto â€©riches  
Thoroughâ€© business  
Youâ€© mistreating â€©n-ggaz  
Heard â€©your â€©folks â€©bleed â€©in â€©prison  
Youâ€© ain't â€©a â€©G  
And â€©if â€©you â€©was  
I â€©don't â€©recall  
Whoâ€© would â€©roll â€©with â€©ya'll  
Bunchâ€©a â€©f-cking â€©know â€©it â€©alls  
Who's â€©dough â€©is â€©small  
Look â€©what's â€©it â€©comeâ€© to  
Our â€©rapport's â€©good â€©no â€©more  
We â€©was â€©goodâ€© before  
Till â€©I â€©saw â€©what â€©type â€©a â€©dude  
â€©you â€©took â€©meâ€© for  
Weâ€© had â€©a â€©chanceâ€© toâ€© take  
â€©paper â€©down  
Whatâ€© Iâ€© took â€©was â€©more  
Because â€©of â€©hatred  
Opportunity â€©wasted

[Chorus â€©3 â€©- â€©JR. Gong]  
Your â€©real â€©friends â€©willâ€© serveâ€© you

â€©long  
Your â€©car â€©and â€©clothes â€©will â€©fade  
Your â€©real â€©friendâ€© wontâ€© do â€©you  
â€©wrong  
Real â€©friendâ€© don't â€©changeâ€© Eh

[Verse â€©3 â€©- â€©JR. Gong]

Your â€©real â€©friend â€©won't â€©run â€©in  
â€©war  
Nuhâ€© care â€©what â€©the â€©cost â€©is  
Youâ€© real â€©friendsâ€© are â€©in â€©for â€©all  
â€©the â€©wins â€©and â€©the â€©losses  
Fi â€©Real!  
No â€©question â€©at â€©all  
Them â€©ready â€©fi â€©riseâ€© the â€©tallest  
Take â€©to â€©the â€©enemies  
All â€©for â€©one  
Andâ€© oneâ€© forâ€© all â€©this  
Real â€©friend â€©will â€©hear â€©you â€©out  
No â€©secret â€©feelings  
Real â€©friends â€©won'tâ€© sell â€©youâ€© out  
No â€©bargain â€©pleading  
For â€©real!  
Always â€©looking â€©out  
A â€©meal!  
Whenâ€© outsideâ€© a â€©drought  
Your â€©real!  
Friendâ€© won't â€©hide â€©you â€©out  
No

[Chorusâ€© 4â€© -â€© JR. Gong]

Yourâ€© real â€©friends â€©will â€©serveâ€© you  
â€©long  
When â€©all â€©else â€©fails  
Your â€©real â€©friend â€©wont â€©do â€©you  
â€©wrong  
Real â€©friendâ€© don'tâ€© change

[Verseâ€© 4 â€© -â€© Nas]

May â€©laughter  
From â€©backstabbers  
Turn â€©to â€©tears â€©faster  
I â€©wish â€©for â€©you  
Noâ€© snakeâ€© shall â€©slither â€©past â€©ya  
You â€©have â€©to  
Keep â€©your â€©vision â€©clear  
Causeâ€© only â€©a â€©coward â€©lives â€©in  
â€©fear  
My â€©surroundings

Gotâ€© only â€©real â€©powerful â€©n-ggaz  
â€©here  
Real â€©men â€©we â€©have â€©a â€©code â€©of  
â€©ethics  
Noâ€© question  
No â€©jealousies  
No â€©feminine â€©tendencies  
We â€©expecting  
Noâ€© gossip  
Noâ€© phonyâ€© logic  
No â€©counting â€©yourâ€© homey â€©pocket  
Spare â€©no â€©expenseâ€© for â€©legal  
â€©defense  
Ifâ€© your â€©homey â€©locked â€©up  
Noâ€© keeping â€©tabs  
On â€©who â€©was â€©the â€©last â€©whoâ€©  
lookedâ€© out  
Selfishness  
That's â€©a â€©character â€©flaw  
Noâ€© holding â€©out  
Yoâ€© what â€©happened â€©to â€©the â€©honor?  
You're â€©dealing â€©with  
Sensitiveâ€©â€© Preâ€©Madonnaâ€© drama  
Teflon â€©love  
For â€©my â€©dudes â€©who â€©solid

[Chorusâ€© 5â€© - â€©JR. Gong]

Your â€©real â€©friends â€©will â€©serve â€©you  
â€©long  
Your â€©memories â€©mightâ€© fade  
Your â€©real â€©friends â€©will â€©serve  
â€©youâ€© long  
Sunshine â€©or â€©rain, â€©eh  
Yourâ€© realâ€© friends â€©will â€©serve â€©you  
â€©long, â€©woe â€©ya â€©woe  
When â€©all â€©else â€©fails  
Your â€©real â€©friends â€©wont â€©do â€©you  
â€©wrong  
Real â€©friendâ€© don'tâ€© change

VERSE â€©5 â€©(bridge) â€©- â€©JR. GONG

Now â€©plentiful  
Orâ€© scantily  
My â€©cup â€©be â€©full  
Or â€©emptily  
With â€©armâ€© in â€©arms  
We'll â€©all â€©trod â€©on  
Throughâ€© destiny  
Aâ€© friend â€©that's â€©true  
Is â€©there â€©for â€©me  
Respect â€©is â€©due

They care for me  
Should I be down  
Or even out  
They're next to me  
Hey

[Chorus Out - JR. Gong]

Your real friends will serve you  
long  
Your memories might fade  
Your real friends will serve you  
long  
Sunshine or rain, hey  
Your real friends will serve you  
long, woe ya woe  
When all else fails  
Real friends won't do you wrong  
Real friend don't change  
Real friend don't change  
Real friend don't change  
Real friend don't change

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