

# Tribes at War

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Every man deserve to earn  
And every child deserve to learn, now

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Man, what happened to us?  
Geographically they moved us from Africa  
We was once happiness pursuers  
Now we back stabbing, combative and abusive

The African and Arab go at it they most Muslim  
Used to be moving in unison, disputes would end  
Bounty hunters and Grape Street get cool again

Some standard housing, got the young running rampant  
Wilding for a Phantom, he can style in  
Mask on his face, grabbing his Luger  
Saying, "Nobody move or I'll shoot ya" Man, you're expiring

Catch 25 and he does it like a man  
He sides with black, white pride and Mexican  
Survive the best he can, strap a shank to his thigh

Why do we all collide? Why do the young die?  
Extortion, murder and burglary, tattoos his chest  
Says his enemies don't deserve to breathe

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I drink poison then I vomit diamonds  
I gave you Mandela, Black Dalai Lamas  
I gave you music, you enthused in my kindness  
So how dare you reduce me to Donny Imus

Timeless in case we never been acquainted  
Flyness who made it, it gets duplicated  
Mindless violence, well, let me try to paint it  
Here's the 5 steps in hopes to explain it

One, it's me and my nation against the world  
Two, then me and my clan against the nation  
Three, then me and my fam' against the clan  
Four, then me and my brother we no hesitation

Uh, go against the fam' until they cave in  
Five, now who's left in this deadly equation?  
That's right, it's me against my brother  
Then we point a Kalashnikov and kill one another

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Man a war tribal over colors  
Over money, over land and over oil and over God  
And over idols and even lovers  
Over breakfast, over dinner, over suppers

Over jungle, over Rema, over buckers  
Over Brooklyn, over queens and over Rutgers  
Over red and over blue and over Chuckers  
Over red and over blue and undercovers

Tribal trouble, the drive by's double  
'Cause the youth dem nah go war  
And go fight with knuckle, the two sides scuffle  
Vietnam nah go a war with no more kung fu

Nunchuckle, missile and shuttle  
And the Queen of England and Uncle Sam  
Dem a flex dem muscle, the Tribal Hustle  
Blood diamond poodle, survival struggle

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