

# In It to Win It

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I was born in Oklahoma, Tulsa Oklahoma  
When I was a little boy I used to sing before my father preached  
I wanted to love on everybody and hug on everybody and smile  
But you know it was a time when there was still segregation and a lot of racism  
You know here people called me names like lil' nigga boy and all that, man  
When I got to college, I'll never forget, one of my professors told me  
That I was goin' to be nothing in life and Imma end up in an ally  
And I kinda ended up like that way, at least for a while  
'Cause I did end up on the streets at one point in my life doin' drugs and alcohol

My story started, eh  
Such a long time ago  
Bruised up and scatted  
Sometimes that seem impossible  
Some said I was unable, yeah  
I think they was afraid of what I can do  
I never stopped believin', ah  
I'm gonna see it all the way through, oh no

Don't tell me that I didn't want ya (want ya)  
Like Kobe in the fourth quarter (quarter)  
It ain't over till it's over (over)  
Though I'm not backing down

'Cause I'm in it to win it  
I'm gonna reach to the top  
Nothing's gonna make me stop  
Yes I'm in it to win it  
Oh yeah, oh yeah (ooh)  
Oh yeah, oh yeah  
'Cause I'm in it to win it  
There's a fire in release  
So I'm giving it my everything  
Yes I'm in it to win it  
Oh yeah, oh yeah (ooh)  
Oh yeah, oh yeah

Yes I'm (in it)  
In it to (win it)  
I'm not gonna (stop no)  
Till I feel it

I see it in the distance, hey  
Waiting for me like an open door  
But more I get resistance  
I swear I want it even more  
I'm gonna be so grateful, so grateful  
When I finally get to you  
'Cause I never stopped believin', no no  
I'm gonna see it all the way through, oh yeah

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And I know, the road is long  
Yeah I know, the road is long  
And I'm never givin' up  
I ain't never givin' up  
I know

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In it to (win it)  
Yes I'm (in it)  
I'm gonna win it  
Yes I-I-I... I'm in it to win it  
Oh yeah, oh yeah  
Oh yeah, oh yeah

You know it's, it's been a, it's a roller coaster ride for me  
But I'm having fun in my life and you know I learned one thing  
My blessings come from God, my life has already been mapped out by God  
So this is why I'm still here  
I'm not going anywhere, I'm not quitting and I'm standing up  
I'm standing tall, I'm goin' forward  
Yeah, I'm in it to win it