

## In This Life...

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Word up  
Aiiyyo Rome' (yo)  
Yo life ain't what it's cracked up to be these days, why'knahmean?  
Word! Knahmsayin?  
Life hard out this muh'fucker, why'knahmsayin?  
So you gotta make the best of a bad situation, and hold your head

Know what I'm sayin? You gotta progress through the struggle man

In this life.. (ohhh, this life)  
"You better wake up"  
In this life.. (talkin bout this life)  
"are-are-Remember this"  
In this life.. (whoah-ohhh)  
"S-S-Survival of the fittest" -> Nas  
In this life..  
"I go all out" - "why'knahmsayin?"

From New York to Cali it remains the same  
Bitch niggaz always want to go against the grain  
The strong will survive, the weak shall perish  
Why'all need more courage, I keep why'all nourished

Get in line, I let you know right now  
You need to slow right down or you get blown right now  
From what I see it's systematic how we push to addicts  
Demographics make the street life hell or drastic

In the hood we see oppressive genocide  
'Cause if it's on it's on, you know at least 10 men'll ride  
But on the other side, corruption runs deepjavascript:%20T\_save(3);  
I'm aware of the conspiracies, discussion is brief

They're building more prisons, spendin less on schools  
On the block Smith & Wess-ons and Teflons rule  
It's hard to escape it, certain laws are sacred  
In this life my nigga, it's mad hard to make it

In this life..  
Money is key  
And everybody you see ain't what they claim to be  
In this life..  
I try to do right  
I live a treacherous life, I know I ain't right, mm  
In this life..  
You got to keep on  
You got to be strong, you got to hold on  
In this life, heh, I come in peace  
But still yo, I come from the streets

This one's for my sons and my lil' daughter  
Peace to JMJ and my nigga Headquarters  
A +GangStarr+ with a gangster, on a mission  
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My mind keeps driftin cause I haven't had a spliff in

A long time, I'm doin fine, I feel terrific  
I bop up the street, see-walk to the beat  
It's cold outdoors, so I got to keep some heat

I never know when a cutthroat gon' try to test me  
Disrespect me, things could get messy  
Yes he, shoot a good game, like James  
I mean Jesse, watch out nigga, heavens to Betsies

The big drum beater  
With a car full of heaters and some fly senioritas  
In some Stacy's or some Chucks, cause I gotsta keep it G'd up  
Run up on the Dogg man you bound to get beat up

In this life.. (ohhh, this life, I'm tryin to make it better)  
"You better wake up"  
In this life.. (I won't have to struggle no mo', no I won't)  
"R-R-Remember this"  
In this life.. (ohhh, this life, this life)  
"S-S-Survival of the fittest" -> Nas  
In this life.. (tryin to make it better, yes I am)

Oooooohhh, talkin bout this life  
Whoahhhhh, this life, this life...