

# Pray for Me

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Look...

I woke up without a heart beat

But, I remember we was just in the car deep

Was at a light, and got approached by a car thief

He pulled out but didn't ask for no car keys

A loud noise without a voice but i'm tryna scream out...shit is not fair

I can't tell you where i'm at or how I got here

Surrounded by all white, maybe it's just cloudy

Escorted by two men who knew everything about me

Both of 'em so strong, kept sayin' hold on

Feel like my soul's gone...naked no clothes on

I know this can't be my fate, I scream wait

As they drop me in front of a gate

They left no trace...I can see my every breath

Like a cold day, stood in front a man with no face

He said to me "please dont make this any harder"

Who the fuck is you? "my child i'm your Father"

I only got one dad "is that a fact to you?"

"He left you when you was young, I brought him back to you"

"You're real close to heaven, few get to step in"

"Now tell me what you've done to deserve to be let in"

Look i'm far from a Christian, not big on religion

But ain't done too much wrong my entire time livin'

Never killed, never tried to...though I been lied to

Was once suicidal, never read the Bible

I always been a caretaker, tried to nurse people

At times it back fired...hurt people, hurt people

Plus I never used your name in vain

But you should know everything I'm bein' asked explained

"I know you stole from your mother's purse"

You can't count that, that was way back when

"It's still a sin" ...but I was ten

"You robbed peoples' stores" Yeah, and YOU made me see jail

"But I also seen you lay your hands on a female"

"Sold drugs to parents, none of that was needed"

"Abandoned your child, on every girl you cheated"

"Done wrong to people that only want the best for you"

"Anytime you thought you were alone, I was next to you"

When it comes to baby moms...God you gave me the worst one

"But that was your second child Joe...you shouldn't have killed the first one"

I ain't have a job...ain't have a pot to piss in

"Look I gave you a gift, and you made the wrong decision"

"Held on to resentments, even in doin' business"

"I lead by example, I teach forgiveness"

"Your entry...cannot be guaranteed"

"Not when you live with anger, envy, greed"

"Pride, sloth, lust even glutony"

"Everything you shouldn't if you would've joined my covenant"

Look i'm only human, I ain't perfect "That I understand"

"When I take you out a jam, you don't even think to worship"

"And when you do...you never talk about what..."

"...You can do for me, it's what I can do for you"

"I blessed you with health, family and wealth"

"But all the blessings you've received...you still always want help"

Yeah there's been times in my life I needed help to make money

But why everything I love, you manage to take from me

Yet you stand there and question a nigga that tries hard  
And finds a way when you keep dealin' him fucked up cards  
You make mistakes like me, far as I can see  
I think it's a mockery whenever rich niggas win the lottery  
Gave us Bush twice, God I hate to be rude  
But you let skinny niggas starve, give obese niggas food  
The nerve of you tellin' me I dont deserve to stay here  
When you gave us drugs and guns, you put AIDs here  
Take a look at chu, your actions are cold hearted  
The harsh shit is you bring babies in the world retarded  
I know most my actions put me in a cell  
Now how you mad at me when you put me in the Hell?  
"See my child, you need gratitude, maybe just a sample"  
"I never give a person anything he can't handle"  
"Don't tell me 'bout everything you had to go through"  
"There's reasons for my actions even if I never showed you"  
"Kept tryin' wit chu, all you did was hurt me"  
"Still gave you chances to prove that you was worthy"  
"And so I sat wit chu on a train"  
"I asked you for change, you kept callin' me names"  
"Prolly didn't notice, I was a store clerk"  
"You put the gun to me, get money for more work"  
"My child, I know you have it in you to indeed stop"  
"This is not your final calling, just a brief stop"  
"Hope you heed my words and understand"  
"So when I see you back, you should be a better man"  
"Look at life different, the next time we see each other"  
"There'll be no need to talk, whenever we meet each other"