

# Modern Day Slavery

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DJ GI Joe rock that..  
The 13th amendment  
(...they say nothing wrong  
A change is gonna come -  
You know and I know  
You know that I know  
I know that you know that something's gotta change is gonna come...)

First you clean his hands from top to bottom  
Grand afferents then wash him, then you go pick the cotton  
Listen y'all I'm tired man, I swear (I've been running)  
For so long trying to be strong with you (I've been running)  
I'm exhausted (Ohh yeah)  
My feet hurt (I don't...)  
Wanna run no more (I don't...)  
Wanna run no more (I don't know what's a bed)  
They said (a change is going)  
WHEN (a change is going)  
WHEN (a change is going everyday)

Ain't nothing changed except the chains  
That restraining our physical frame  
Mentally we still living the same  
Its lock down  
They knock down the Towers to raise tax  
Anything they burn we pay back  
I live in the hood; you'll never bump into Pat Seajack  
But we spin the wheel every time we chill  
Cuz cops hate blacks, and Hispanics they draw gats  
And just slam it before the ask where your hand is  
I don't see how a wallet can be mistaken for a cannon  
So please don't let em play us no more  
In everyway I'm ready, willing, and able to war  
Like any day I could pop I'd be in the front  
Like, please let the force be with me in this pump  
Housing want me to work cuz I'm still on my mom's lease  
Threatening to raise the rent if I don't pick up them park leaves  
Ain't nothing in this world for free  
But somehow they got us fooled that this world is free

THIS IS MODERN DAY SLAVERY  
YOU SEE (yes)  
CARRY I.D. (yes)  
WATER IS A FEE (yes)  
THIS AIN'T HOW IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE MAN (I've been running)  
For so long trying to be strong with you (I've been running)  
I'm exhausted (Ohh yeah)  
My feet hurt (I don't...)  
Wanna run no more (I don't....)  
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Our people are the product of genocide and slavery  
Everything in the ghetto was how it was made to be  
Designed in a process, Prison Industrial Complex

Niggaz transformed into numbers and objects  
We pay the devil rent for living in hell  
Cuz the projects was built on the spot where Lucifer fell  
Incarcerated knowledge heavy weight (Heavy Nigga)  
Every black man should read through the Romany Chapter 28  
Cursed in the city like we're cursed in the field  
Cursed on the border, and cursed by the New World Order  
Our sons and daughters were stolen by another people  
end of the Earth, land of the Eagle  
This is the sequel to the prophecy  
Freedom when peaceful then violent is my philosophy  
I built an army, now I'm gonna build a nation  
The foundation of a new civilization  
And overthrow the plantation

MODERN DAY SLAVERY SEE? (yes)  
IT WAS DESIGNED TO BE (yes)  
PATRIOT ACT 3 (yes)  
Just wait young nigga you'll see (I've been running)  
For so long, my people been strong, but yo (I've been running)  
I'm exhausted (Ohh yeah)  
My heart hurts (I don't...)  
But I'm gunning them more (I don't....)  
But I'm gunning them more (Fuck them, niggas!)  
I said, we gotta make em (a change is going)  
We gotta make em (a change is going)  
Quick motherfucker (lock and load)

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You know what it is nigga, the rebirth of the Young Lords  
Coming soon motherfucka

You sleep and you die nigga  
Good night motherfucka!