

Love Yourself

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It's been a long ride, but I made it here with love
I made it here with love, love
Said I been and up and down and I've been through it all
Took a while to know my heart
Oh, yes, it has, yes
Before a love like this, you go
Through the fire and valley lows
But if you just hold on
Please hold on, this love is strong, it'll save you
Oh, please hold on, it'll save you, save you

Truth can be the sweetest pain
It could mess up everything
It's the only way I know
I'm payin' for it, I'm changin' for it
Oh, oh, and it hurts
But I'll make it work
'Cause I'm no beginner, I'm a winner
Paid dues, I know my purpose

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But I knew somethin' they didn't know
I know myself too much to ever fold
Dark clouds, I'm movin' past you

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Before you feed somebody else
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'Cause everybody don't mean you well
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Yeah, you gotta love yourself
Uh, you know what I'm sayin'?

I've decided not to use my color as a handicap
He a designer, artist, producer, and he rap
Never found virtue from patience
In a dark room just pacin'
Precious time is just wastin'
You do not know what we facin'
I can not be complacent
In my job be courageous
Another kid just got shot
They can't find the assailant
Made it outta the basement
Made it outta the underground
From a town where you outta town
They might gun you down (blat)
There goes another round (blat)
There goes another round
Came from this Chi and wow
Look what the fuck they found
A young legend, comin' to shut the summer down
You need to talk to me like you don't bring yo motha 'round

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I don't feel no ways tired
Can't get restless in the soul
Hold your heart, the world is cold
Keep sayin' I don't ya start prayin' on it
Yeah, it will come to pass
Don't worry 'bout nothin'
God knows that you're worth it
You deserve it, can't nothin' else hurt ya

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