

# Everything

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I could change anything  
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I would change everything, oh yeah

Dark boy, don't you cry  
There's too much life left in those eyes  
Don't you let that face go waterfall  
Don't you learn to love your scars and all  
Dark boy, don't you die, they're just human, let them lie  
You just know your world and speak your truth  
Let them come to you, for your love and your heart  
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When the media slings mud, we use it to build huts  
Irrefutable facts, merciful, beautiful black  
Beloved brother, you fail to embarrass him, harassin' him  
To my life, your life pales in comparison  
So go write whatever blog, messiness is not ever the god  
Do what's necessary, I'm never worried  
Listen vultures, I've been shackled by Western culture  
You convinced most of my people to live off emotion  
That's why we competin'  
Death by the chrome barrel, forgot the secrets  
My Kilimanjaro bone marrow's the deepest  
You can peep at the comments, but don't fall for that  
We want freedom, I'm a scholar, an almanac  
People do anything to be involved in everything  
Inclusion is a hell of a drug  
Some people have everything they probably ever wanted in life  
And never have enough

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From the birth of a child, the world is foul  
Excursions of a searchin' child  
Should learn to take nothin' personal  
A parent hates to watch his baby's face

Takin' his first immunization shots, but this is great  
The child's introduction to suffering and pain  
Understands without words  
Nothin' is explained or rushed to the brain  
Lookin' up at his parents' face  
Like, "I thought you would protect me from this scary place?"  
"Why'd you let them inject me?"  
"Who's gonna know how these side effects is gonna affect me?"  
Who knew I would grow to meet presidents that respect me?  
If Starbucks is bought by Nestlé, please don't arrest me  
I need to use your restroom and I ain't buy no espresso  
Soon enough, assume the cuffs, the position  
Not new to us, since back on the bus sittin'  
Said "Screw that bus!" - boycotted that bus outta business  
The future's us, yet every citizen's in prison

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Watch me as I walk through the folly, golly, New York to Saudi  
In Italy, I'm Eduardo Wiccari  
But Nasty the hustler, nasty like mustard gas, sulfur  
And I could sell Alaska to Russia, no pressure  
My first house, 11,000-square-foot mansion  
It was a haunted by dead rich whites  
Mad a nigga bought his crib to hang up pictures of black Christ  
Circular driveways, black cars and black ice  
My second house, still in my twenties, illin' with money  
Chilled through my spine, spillin' wine, it's funny  
Did good for a staircase loiterer, euphoria  
What you saw when you seen a teen turn to a warrior  
Did every Fourth of July, bustin' in the sky  
It was important to a guy who was mob-minded  
Future Murcielago driver 'til Lambos got average on me  
I started likin' the look like I ain't had no money  
Yellow taxi seats over Maybach seats  
Just to remind me, just to inspire me  
To stay focused, it's a real sick society  
Just 'cause I got your support don't mean you're buyin' me  
I'm buyin' back the land owned by the slave masters  
Where my ancestors lived, just to say a rapper  
Made a change; the pants-sagger put plans in action  
'Til they claim the Pan-African made it happen

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