

# Mama Told Me

Omen

Tryna follow my intuition as I'm on this million dollar mission  
Mama told me I was special, thank god I listened  
My environment never let me be a pretender  
Similar interest with them dope boys but I was different  
The hoop dreaming only child? hyde park?  
Pimp slayers, gang wars, living in a lonely town  
Who can I relate to?  
Feeling like the golden child, chi city culture  
Full of pain, full of soul sinkers  
Dead bodies in our rivers but their souls link up  
A young black man living with unrealistic dreams  
But luckily I've seen some unrealist things  
A child from the city took the good route  
Always fit in and always stood out, complex  
Layered, rather show you than say it  
Though I know my greatness is always understated  
Mama working 12 hours days on her feet  
Coming home cooking dinner, made her son wanna weep  
My step father working while I'm zoning the beast  
Meanwhile my biological was roaming the streets  
Tryna be an entertainer, but my heart held love no anger  
He yelled, yeah, tryna be a singer  
I guess this just the life I was made for

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Yeah, truly yours, j. cole  
My mama coulda been a movie star  
Ya know like judy garland  
I went to st johns I coulda went to juliard  
Cause my beautiful mom mixed with my musical bond  
Deep as a funeral line, dawg, I get it from my mama  
I used to be embarrassed getting picked up in that honda  
Thought my niggas might play me if they found out that my mama was a white lady  
So like gravy had to cover that  
Plus my older brother black but he look white  
In an all black school, picture what that look like  
No wonder he was under-acheiving not believin' in himself  
Coming home just be keeping to himself  
Looking back through the silence, he was screaming out for help  
Maybe this verse can find the words to get the demons out himself  
So yeah, I'm exercising  
Right now my record climbing, I'm sort of a stair master  
Niggas got there faster, I took the long route, I never been a scared rapper  
Boy this aint fear factor, they tell me can you hear the wrath spillin out these paragraphs  
Made the world clear a path  
Bet I'll be on top from now till?

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Tell me, what's the marketing plan for realness  
What's the demographic target audience for brilliance  
What's the first week numbers for my inspiration  
Who can a&r this passion and this dedication  
Name: omen. this aint a verse, this a revelation  
We need some more sanaa lathan's in our population  
I'm meetin' women I would never date  
The kind that say they want a marriage but they really want a wedding day  
I'm seeing groupies tryna act like they don't notice me  
But the writings on the wall call it hoe-istry  
My calls but that's not what my focus be  
Music's forever my lady unlike jodeci  
See when a leaders speaking you should simply follow suit  
I stay in the zone like it's?, let me show you how to shoot  
You know aim for the gold, these are just the chronicles  
There calling me the honorable, though I am not no muslim  
I'm feeling bro like?, tricky like a good sin  
I'm somethin you've mistooked, mistake them for fakeness  
Haters don't know what you facing  
Oh goodness, oh gracious  
They looking at greatness

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