

# Ghetto Children

Ruff Ryders

We, we are the champions, we can't stop  
'Cause you just can't keep them  
Ruff Ryders down, down, down

By any means necessary, I'mma hold down tradition  
White tee, blue jeans, yeah, I fit the description  
Know what's richer for the drugs in our waist  
We dark so they put the flashlight in our face

Racial profiling send me straight to the island  
Hit me with the night stick, the captain start smiling  
The foul smell of the ghetto will burn your nose hair  
It's forbidden, so no one goes there

The struggle never stops 'til we wake up to spoiled milk  
And roaches crawling out our cereal box  
They feed us lies, blind our eyes  
If you're hand's the same color as mine's, black man rise

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All my gangsta soldiers in the prison  
Don't worry it's a totally new beginning

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My people's been in the cage for criminal ways  
For the fact that we couldn't take minimum wage  
We had stacks in the back of the building  
Brothers is crooks but we still read books to the children

Now I keep my mind in the movement  
Time in the movement 'cause the ghetto need a lot of improvement  
Now we gotta plan for the future and watch for the man  
'Cause they don't cuff you no more, they just shoot ya

Time for a new beginning, revolution is coming  
See the bullets out the ruger spinning  
And we ain't gon' stand down, we gon' stand up  
Black man, black power, put your black hands up

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I used to wear bow ties and listen to Farrakhan  
Now I'm on the block like the strip is a marathon  
The hood ain't been the same since Malcolm and King gone

Tales from the hood is what I sing on a rap song

Everybody petrified ever since 9/11  
The hood was under attack before 9/11  
Tell me how we got crack and automatic weapons?  
My worst nightmare is Bush getting re-elected

The jails is packed, everybody stressed out  
Gimme the key and I'm letting all the lifers out  
So they could rebuild and work for a dollar bill  
Take the shackles off ya mind, we running outta time

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