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A Life Worth Living

a small child sits upon her stoop gazing upon the goings on of the block thinking about what she wants to be when she grows up you see all she sees around her are dealers, addicts, and young mothers so what do you tell a child who sees no other option in life come on lets get realistic the system has already branded her to be just another statistic a young mother with a drug dealing baby daddy who stole her innocence by buying a piece of her from her addict of a mother she only knows the hustle of the street and the constant beat of her newborns heart and the cycle continues so what do you tell a child who sees nothing but this in her life you tell her to be strong and look past all of this look forward to a bright future cause she is just that the future the future of this world its time to break the cycle give or kids something to live for give them something more than just life give them the knowledge of living living a life worth dying for cause if we don't what will they have to live for

A Love

i want a love i want a love that makes me want no other a love that makes me want an older brother to protect me from the hurt i will feel if he ever leaves i want a love that makes me want to breathe a love that has my body in knots from the hellafied sex he is giving me i want a love when our bodies come together we fit like a glove tell me where tell me how tell me when will i find a love like that

Better Half

if i had you there would be no half you would be my whole mind body and soul for i would love you for the things you do and the things your going to do for me and you taking time to be a gentle man while being a gentlemen you can trust in me that this love comes with a 100% guarantee

Broken

broken bones broken hearts broken spirits the cries of the lonely and helpless seems no one can hear it wondering why help is never in sight from the rise of the sun to the darkest of night leaning on each other for comfort water rising lives fading cant get in her path if you do youll feel her wrath shes torn apart families seperated lovers and forsaken all others broken bones broken hearts broken spirits they knew it was coming they saw it coming never said a word now its come and gone and hes still singing that sad song no matter how you twist the lyrics you were still wrong

Dying To Shine

on the backs of babies you bring the bling into popular society on the backs of babies you fit your grill to shine like no other did you know they were taken from their mother so you could have the best of the best did you ever consider the ring you put on her finger was two away from the trigger that was pulled on the children who try an escape the slave labor forced upon them cause you wanted to keep up with the trend how much did it cost you how much did you spend alot you say well lets look at it this way your diamond filled grill-\$10,000 your girls engagement ring-\$20,000 the day kids are treated like kids in Sierra Leon-PRICELESS now how much will you pay if it was your seed forced to bleed for the princess cut earring your wearing today

Extinct

black man black man where have you gone i miss you so much you've been away too long black man black man why cant you see the ties that bind are between you and me black man black man don't you understand you need to blame yourself instead of the white man black man black man i need your loving hand to turn our male children into strong men black man black man stand strong and stand tall because if you don't there will be none left at all

Lets Get Away

i can see it you and me feeling the warm breeze as we begin to teaseour taste buds with the new flavors of life im relaxing only cause your asking me to but only if you knew how bad i want to treat you to a trip of my own that has you on a journey of ups and downs and ups and downs there will be no one but you and i as we go deeper you go deeper into thought and i know what your thinking the wine is not the only thing you'll be drinking

Look Into My Eyes

look into my eyes and see what you can see the love and faith i have in this man the way he brings light into my life and into my world see the joy and pleasure no one can measure the amount of ecstasy no number can number he takes me places i could've only imagined in my mind my soul mate has found me and will be with me til the end of time look into my eyes and you might see my heart look into my eyes and you might see the moment he came into my life the moment i became his wife you see my eyes hold the key to my soul and before him they were cold now they are warm and inviting but i answer only one RSVP the one from my husband to me

Loud Silent Voices

somebody anybody my voice cant be heard going through the motions but cant create the words dont know what it is cant figure it out i didnt ask to be made but i want my chance to be seen a chance to be heard i didnt ask to be made i want a chance a chance to live to breath to become more then just a seed something more than just a night of drinks and weed let me live let me live please help me somebody anybody dont let her go through with it dont let the thoughts in her mind go into motion please dont have this abortion somebody anybody help me

Man Worries

the way life was is something life should never be verbally and physically abusing me you broke me down down to my knees you put your hands on me in front of my seeds but im finally free free to be me free from the endless struggle i had to endure at the hands of someone i thought loved me scared to leave cause of what you said youd do to me afraid at times to come home cause of how you treated me but now im gone and never coming back me and the kids are living a worry free life i have moved on and found a new wife who loves me for me and not the punching bag you wanted me to be i was called a punk and all that junk because mama taught me respect respect my wife and she will respect you never put your hands on a woman thats what everyone said well who do you turn to when its the woman putting fists to your head.

Set Sail

can you feel my heart beat can you see my knees get weak as we stand here in this sensual embrace i look at your face and i want to inhale your exhale let you hold me in your arms as we set sail on this lovers voyage your touch gives me the courage i need to go all the way down to your soul you fill up this hole where my heart once sat your kisses bring out the heat from within and i like it like that your strong arms give me strength to maintain all the pleasure vour manhood contains as i try to refrain from being what i am best i see your advances as a test a test to see if i can make it all the way before imploding on impact its not working cause your working that spot you know the one cant control my hands there roaming and honing in on the target at hand I've found it and i love this treasure as i stroke it to the perfect measure of length you feel your knees get weak and your lips part as to speak but no words can be released just whispers of pleasure we call them moans you see the roles being reversed

as you try to take control I'm ready and willing to let you in on my secret if you think you can take it moving slowly towards the point of no return and you know i wont fake it now this is where the magic starts but unfortunately this is where my poem ends and your imagination begins

Stained And Tainted

look at yourself your hands are stained and tainted by this beautiful picture you think you've painted your selling your soul for a piece of this so called american pie while you get rich children and babies die die of starvation or simply lack of appreciation because you wanted to be a baller selling dope to the very next caller not caring whether she has enough to feed her son or daughter your hands your mind your soul all stained and tainted by the dope money used to get you into this new life away from the heat to keep you on the street in the end your gonna ask god why doesn't have mercy on you then all those years will flash before your eyes the screams the cries the lives you've taken wondering why is it your baking in hell not figuring out it was the dope you chose to sell

Sweet Lady

not only am i a sweet lady i am a sweetdiva i will accept your love and expect nothing less then for you to fill my heart body and soul with all the passion your emotions can hold keeping my soul heated cause its been so cold the way you came into my life was so bold so dont ever go anywhere i want you to have and to hold til we get old

Take Me Back

take me back in time to a time when kids were kids and you would get your ass beat if you were in grown folks biz take me back in time to a time when love and happiness was just a song and not a thing i wished for take me back in time to a time when the end of the school year was all i longed for take me back in time to a time when what to wear on the first day of school was my only worry take me back in time to a time when i was lying on the floor watching thunder cats and in no hurry now as i sit and watch my kids grow out of being kids wondering if I've taught them all they need to know to grow as beautiful black women you see this time is different now kids are growing up too fast learning how to shake they ass before they can read write or count you see this time is different now kids are growing up too fast cant shoot for the stars but can shoot an AK its time time to take back our kids not just for me or you but for them its time to take back our kids and teach them its time to take back our kids and reach their minds cause like momma always said you never know where your going unless you know where you've been

so its time to take back our kids not just for you not just for me but for them and their survival let them know who they are and where they come from let them know they come from king and queens let them know they are royalty take me back in time to a time when parents showed their loyalty

Unwanted Love

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memories flash before my eyes as the tears fall and i look to the skies for any kind of sign that this did not happen to me i lay in a fetal position resting on the hopes and wishes for another day needing all the courage i can summon because daddy's little girl reluctantly became daddy's little woman he violated me taking something that was so precious if mama ever found out it would kill her he said if i told he would do just that kill her i can still hear the grunts and groans like a mad man out of control having the face of joy and regret thats a look ill never forget i want him dead because he just killed me killed whats inside me leaving nothing but distrust and distain for the future suitors who may come my way why did he do it i dont know i did nothing for him to want me in that way im just a baby as mama would say but god will help me through this and guess what he will deal with daddy on judgement day