

Love's Gonna Get'cha (Material Love)

Boogie Down Productions

You know, that's why man I've been telling
You all the time man, you know love
That word love is a very serious thing
And if you don't watch out, I tell ya that
(Love's gonna get you)
(Love's gonna get you)Because a lot of people out here say
I love my car or I love my chain or or
I'm just in love with that girl over thereSo far all the people out there
That fall in love with material items
We gonna bump the beat
A lil' something like thisI'm in junior high with a B plus grade
At the end of the day I don't hit the arcade
I walk from school to my mom's apartment
I gotta tell the suckers everyday, "Don't start it""Cause where I'm at if your soft your lost
To say on course means to roll with force
A boy named Rob is chillin' in a Benz
In front of my building with the rest of his friendsI give him a pound, oh, I mean I shake his hand
He's the neighborhood drug dealer, my man
I go upstairs and hug my mother
Kiss my sister, and punch my brotherI sit down on my bed to watch some TV
Do my ears deceive me?
Nope, that's the fourth time this week
Another fast brother shot dead in the streetThe very next day while I'm off to class
My mom goes to work cold busting her ass
My sisters cute but she got no gear
I got three pairs of pants and with my brother I shareSee there in school, see I'm made a fool
With one and a half pair of pants, you ain't cool
But there's no dollars for nothing else
I got beans, rice, and bread on my shelfEvery day I see my mother struggling
Now it's time, I've got to do somethin'
I look for work, I get dissed like a jerk
I do odd jobs and come home like a slobSo here comes Rob, he's cold and shivery
He gives me two hundred for a quick delivery
I do it once, I do it twice
Now there's steak with the beans and riceMy mother's nervous but she knows the deal
My sister's gear now has sex appeal
My brother's my partner and we're getting paper
Three months later we run our own caperMy family's happy everything is new
Now tell me what the fuck am I supposed to do?

That's why
(Love's gonna get you)
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(Love's gonna get you)You fall in love with your chain
You fall in love with your car
Love's gonna sneak right up and snuff you from behind
So I want you to check the story out as we go down the line
Money's flowing, everything is fine
Got myself an Uzi and my brother a nine
Business is boomin', everything is cool
I pull about a G a week, fuck school
A year goes by and I begin to grow
Not in height but juice and cash flow
I pick up my feet and begin to watch TV
'Cause now I got other people working for me
I got a 55 inch television you know
And every once in awhile I hear 'Just say no'
Or the other commercial I love
Is when they say, this is your brain on drugs
I pick up my remote control and just turn
'Cause with that bullshit I'm not concerned
See me and my brother jump in the BM
Driving around our territory again
I stop at the light like a superstar
And automatic weapons cold sprayed my car
I hit the accelerator scared as shit
And drove one block to find my brother was hit
He wasn't dead but the blood was pouring
And all I could think about was war and
Later I found that it was Rob and his crew
Now tell me what the fuck am I supposed to do?
You know that's why
(Love's gonna get you)
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(Love's gonna get you)That word love is very very serious
Very addictive, my brothers out of it
But I'm still in it
On top of that I'm in it to win it
I can't believe that Rob would diss me
That faggot, that punk, he's soft a sissy
I'm driving around now with three of my guys
The war is on and I'm on the rise
We rolled right up to his favorite hang out
Said, "Hello", and then the bullets rang out
Some fired back so we took cover
And all I could think about was my brother
Rob jumped up and began to run
Busting shots hoping to hit someone
So I just stopped, and let off three shots
Two hit him and one hit a cop
I threw the gun down and began to shout
"Come on I got him, it's time to break out"
But as we ran there were the boys in blue
Pointing their guns at my four man crew
They shot down one, they shot down two
Now tell me what the fuck am I supposed to do?

(Love's gonna get you)
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(Love's gonna get you)You know a lot of people believe
That that word love is real soft
But when you use it in your vocabulary
Like your addicted to it, it sneaks right up
And takes you right outSo, for future reference remember
It's alright to like or want a material item
But when you fall in love with it
And you start scheming and carryin' on for it
Just remember, it's gonna get'cha

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