## For The Babies (featuring Stephen Marley)

## **Damian Marley**

This is real, this is realNow I see them giving the woman abortion to kill another baby

Miscarriage and misfortune and premature crack baby

Strength of Ras Tafari I'm hoping someday maybe

They don't obey parents, maybe they will obey me

Future for the babies

Hopes for the babies

Tommorrow for the babies

No sorrow for the babies

Babies having babies

Raising our babies

All of these young ladies

Give them thanks and praises

How long can she take it?

Dreams are full of 'maybes',

Will she ever make it?

Hustles on a dailyIn the club she shake it, strip down 'till she naked

Don't ever mistake it, Much too real to fake it

Need it then she'll take it

She'll do it for the babies

A mother's love is sacred

Now you don't you ever fail meA woman needs caring, sharing, love all the time (no don't you ever fail me)

A child needs loving, caringIs there no other option than adoption for you babies

You're raffling and jacketing and auctioning your babies

Strength of Ras Tafari I'm hoping someday maybe

They don't obey their parents, maybe they will obey me

Cowards play the game thing

Fathers do the brave thing

And that's participating

He keeps on concentrating

There is no debating

No running away thing

A new life is awakening, From his ejaculating,

It's in the oven baking

Takes two for the making

He's right there through the cravings

And early morning wakingSchool and educating

Sports and recreating, Karate and ballet thing

Teenager of today thing

Fathers still relating, still communicating

## And they'll always embrace him

Cause they cannot replace himA woman needs caring, sharing, love all the time (no don't you ever fail me)
A child needs loving, caringAnd always do your very best to keep a promise to your babies

And if you can't be good, at least be honest to your babies

The strength of Ras Tafari I'm hoping someday maybe

They don't obey their parents maybe they will o

History of the babies

Beginning of the ages

You're flipping thru the pages

And up and thru the 80's

Some are gang related, Drug affiliated

Some intoxicated, Headed for the snake pit

And Papa's locked in cages

And Mama's lacking wages

And this what they're faced with, upon a daily basisBleaching out dem faces

Running from dem races

Shooting up them places

Killing other babies

As bitter as the taste is, And words can not explain it

Just walk the narrow pavement

And speak of love not hatred

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