

# I Know

## Out of Eden

Now you've been gone in these streets for like, three weeks now

I'm startin to worry myself, so come on back now

Don't want you dealing with a life like me

Don't want you strung out, don't want to be like me

Only fourteen and you've been with one child now

Pregnant with no shoes is where you'll end up now

You're fourteen, you've got your whole life ahead of you

What's that twenty year old man got to do with you

I wish-I made a better life for you

I wish-there was someone you could look up to

I wish-you did what I say not what I do

I wish-you'd see the future but I know you

Chorus:

I know-that you want to be in these streets

I know-you think you gotta hustle to eat

I know-money doesn't matter to me

I just want you home

I know-that you've got to do what you do

I know-what's that life really doin fo you

I know-that's no way to live your life

I need you to survive

Little shorty and you want to be a baller now

Want to ride on twenty-fours like a big timer now

The respect of your crew that's around you

On your way to getting kicked out your high school

Thinking drugs will get you where you need to be

You might get there but only temporarily

Before you get there you might be under about 6 feet

Or behind bars at least five fifty deep

I wish-your daddy was here to help raise you

I wish-you could see that that life ain't gon' save you

I wish-you could meet God and He could change you

I wish-get in your head and rearrange you

I wish-there was someone you could look up to

I wish-you could see there's another way to get through

I wish-use your mind and that can't stop you

I wish-see the future but I know you

Chorus

God has got to hear me  
(hear me when I pray)  
It's heavy on my shoulders  
(make it go away)  
Carrying my babies  
Praying for my brothers  
Carrying for my sisters, my fathers, my mothers  
Hoping that one day soon you'll see  
All you're meant to be  
Come to know the things that are true  
And live the life that's meant for you

Chorus

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