80 Bars

Wyclef Jean

80 Bars, 80 Scars Yo, engineer, turn me up, yo I started off in the underground From mono to stereo now I'm surround sound Blowin' through your tubes leavin' holes through your speakers Crackin' through your tweeters my frequency's off the meters Jam pack arenas from here to Bangkok I'm ahead of my time like Jimmy Hendrix played Woodstock Me, I'm playin' Hoodstock before I had the dreadlocks I used to reminisce should I do music or sell rocks Grow my own crops livin' in the PJs That's when an Angel Gabriel, said "It's all a masquerade eyes wit no face, sneakers wit no lace I feel the earth spinnin' but I'm standin' in the same space" Wit no trace of what happened last night I seen two fiends fightin' over a crack pipe Now I'm watchin' TV, my antenna was a clothes hanger Blurry vision Mista Mondehan David Banner Flip the data the kids are wearin' bandannas Totin' hammers aimin' at your medulla oblongata Blow, blow a young thug wit a slim figure Romantic type like the movie Casablanca Herb seller once got busted by a undercover buyer My supplier was a Gypsie cab driver That's when I realized I need to find a new hustle Livin' in the jungle the guitar became my muscle I scribe through snake eyes that wanted my crucified Y'all thought that I was drownin' but I was getting baptized Now behold I heard you sold twenty mill But wit no street credibility you overkill Y'all ain't real talkin' 'bout keep it gangsta Only if you knew the gangsta sent me to shank you Gank you, gank you, tie up your ankles And if that ain't enough I call hinchmens to lynch you Now at the funeral I could see the priest bless you But in the after life I'ma still touch you Knockin' on Heaven's door you beggin' to get in That's when the Son of Man greets you wit the face of Satan Now you look frightened in the belly of the whale

That's when the warden say I wanna welcome you to hell
Bones is five bucks get off the phone, time's up
I seen him cut from his head to his you wish you would wish you could
Wishin' got you here you screamin' so loud that a deaf man could hear
Back to the silence, no more droppin' science

Everybody rappin' 'bout diamonds and violence And A&R's all they do is charge credit cards And when the bill comes They blame it on the rap stars Now how you figure I ain't rent a car I wasn't at the spa I ain't buy the bar Now here's a Jew when you get your first record deal Don't subject yourself to the mass appeal First class, caviar in the Anneville In the new S class wit the Jordan wheels Remember the music in the streets like the streets You know the code of the streets Everybody tryin' to eat yhe evidence is concrete I'm tired of the same song you take me out You must be high off of heroine Sharper than I ever been this one gon' get a ten Rappers, I'ma murder y'all wit your own medicine I move with faith, I never have doubt I'm so hungry you would think I'm just comin' out But I been here before from Blunted to The Score To the Carnival, Ecleftic, World Tour I'm poison whores waitin' in the back door They want me to rock they boat and shift them on shore That's when the Father said, "Take heed to this lesson They wanna cut your hair like Delilah did Samson" I felt that so I went back to my format Raps in backpack gats for car jacks Hats for pussy cats 'cause AIDS I don't want that And for the DJ's here's somethin' y'all can scratch Technique twelve the needle hits the wax Hypnotize the crowd the dance floor's jam packed Now sing along like a Negro spiritual No one got shot tonight it's a miracle But what's this I hear y'all wanna take my spot You got a better chance puttin' a gorilla in a headlock I'm too focused I can see through your lens You ain't a G, just a wannabe kingpin So, the next time y'all wanna pay for protection I suggest that you hit up the Haitian Sicilian

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