Gangsta's Paradise

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As I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I take a look at my life and realize there's nothing left 'Coz I've been blastin' and laughin' so long, that

Even my mama thinks that my mind is goneBut I ain't never crossed a man that didn't deserve it

Me be treated like a punk you know that's unheard of

You better watch how you're talkin', and where you're walkin'

Or you and your homies might be lined in chalkI really hate to trip but I gotta, loc

As I grow I see myself in the pistol smoke, fool

I'm the kinda G the little homies wanna be like

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I can't live a normal life, I was raised by the stripes

So I gotta be down with the hood team

Too much television watchin' got me chasin' dreamsI'm an educated fool with money on my mind

Got my 10 in my hand and a gleam in my eye

I'm a loc'd out gangsta set trippin' banger

And my homies is down so don't arouse my anger, foolDeath ain't nothin' but a heartbeat away

I'm livin' life, do or die, what can I say

I'm twenty-three now, but will I live to see twenty-four

The way things are going I don't knowTell me why are we, so blind to see

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Minute after minute, hour after hour

Everybody's runnin', but half of them ain't lookin'

What's going on in the kitchen, but I don't know what's cookin'They say I gotta learn, but nobody's here to teach me

If they can't understand it, how can they reach me

I guess they can't, I guess they won't

I guess they front, that's why I know my life is out of luck, foolBeen spendin' most their lives, livin' in the gangsta's paradise

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