Beautiful Struggle

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This is a tear jerker The revolution is here
The revolution is here people
I said it once, I'll say it twice
You gots to be ready
The revolution is inside of you
People, the revolution is here, yeah
The revolution's here
No one can lead you off your path
You'll try to change the world
So please excuse me while I laugh
No one can change your ways
(Rock with me for a second)
No one can lead you off your path
(Come on)

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Yo, I heard it's said the revolution won't be televised
But in the land of milk and honey
There's a date you gotta sell it by
Otherwise it just expires and spoils
And these folks jump out the pot
When the water too hot
'Cuz the fire boils inside

You go to church to find you some religion

And all you hear is connivin' and gossip and contradiction and
You try to vote and participate in the government

And the motherfuckin' Democrats is actin' like Republicans
You join an organization that know black history

But ask them how they plan
To make money and it's a mystery
Lookin' for the remedy
But you can't see what's hurtin' you
The revolution's here
The revolution is personal
They call me the political rapper
Even after I tell 'em I don't fuck with politics
I don't even follow it
I'm on some KRS, Ice Cube, Chris Wallace shit

Main source, De La Soul, bumpin' 2 Pacalypse now
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Yo, I speak at schools a lot 'Cause they say I'm intelligent Nervous cause I'm dope If I was wack I'd be irrelevant I'm like the dope in your tracks Until your high is settled in You leanin' to the left The laughter's the best medicine But the troubles you have today You just can't laugh away Stay optimistic, they can change It's gonna come like Donny Hathaway You have to pray, on top of that, act today 'Cuz opportunity shrivel away Like Tom Hanks in Cast Away Everybody passed away The past will pay, the family mournin' Everybody act accordin' to the season That they born in You fight in the streets Start bleedin' 'til the blood is pourin' In the gutter, mothers cry 'til the Lord be livin' By the sword and all that folks want is safety They goin' gun crazy The same reason Reagan was playin' War games in the '80s The same reason I've always rocked Dog chains on my babies The struggle is beautiful I'm too strong for you to slave me The revolution's here No one can lead you off your path You'll try to change the world So please excuse me while I laugh No one can change your ways

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Yeah, let's go
So please excuse me while I laugh

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