For The Babies

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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

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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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