Where I'm From

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Hey, comin' from where I'm from, I'm from Oh yeah, oh yeah Kids get killed in ghettos, shot up over the car Limos While they mom was at home, tears hittin' the pillow Where women in the middle in a seminal funereal Shed a tear 'cause he lost his son the same way a year ago It's the same ego spiritual, we thuggin' in harmony They say, "Death brings life, there exchange no robbery" If I'm wrong pardon me, I'm just tired of poverty Why them niggaz in the hood never hit the lottery Unless they go lottery, first round in the draft First we dustin' off the rounds and we slip in the mag' Then we slip on the masks and go out and mash And we call it feeding our family, y'all call it a tragedy, damn How I could just kill a man? Watch his blood flow like a river then rinse his blood off of my hand If you hearing me speak please Lord give me a chance Please forgive me of my sins 'cause we cleansed where I'm from Me and my niggaz ride Even when the sun don't shine and it's cold outside Never run in or hide 'cause some niggaz hate it But I can't get faded 'cause I done made it Instead of struggling or strive Survive my weight how these ghetto streets of mine This is coming from where I'm from, I'm from We all walk back in line Now everybody know that everybody said, "Nobody can hide from beef Except but us, who surprised when these kids get killed on the streets" Look how these animals eat that's how they talk 'bout us While they shed they joke and laugh puttin' a choke round us Can I get a moment of silence? 'Cause they claimin' it's the murderers that's causin' all the violence What 'bout the ones that protect to serve our honor Poppin' the blue colla' with shots soon to follow The ghettos in horror 'cause in this boy shot went back And now the neighborhood hot and he can't move the crack When it's all about the dollars And he'll individually get murdered 'cause money is power But then these snitch's get to talking and it's colder than ours

Cuffed and crimed on the bus heading straight to the Island
He was only 13 but tried us in the dope and as high as the coast
Because ain't no more children in the ghetto where I'm from
Me and my niggaz ride

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But I can't get faded 'cause I done made it
Instead of struggling or strive

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> We all walk back in line We ain't all killers in prison

Matter fact that's a stereo typical thought of livin'
'Cause they don't know about the hood and them love in it
Summer time top down with the wood finish
Pushin' hard, uptown windows slightly tinted

Back to back Benz and jeeps, blowin' weed with my niggaz
On our way to a house party, gonna fuck with some bitchs
Let's get some liquor for shorty who said she make us some chicken
And if we get 'em drunk enough

We probably could freak 'em and do it every other weekend If I don't have to kill niggaz, I never would leave the ghetto I'm like an angel that put on a halo

Cradle the grave of my niggaz that we lost in the ghetto 'Cause where I'm from in the ghetto we rock white tee's and Nike's Roll 3 dice and name our dope ice cream

Set trends and y'all follow our lead
But in New Yitti niggaz follow they dreams, where I'm from
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We all walk back in line
Now I lay me down and sleep
And I pray for the Lord, my soul to keep
If I should die before I wake
Pray to the Lord, my soul to take, yeah
Pray for the Lord, my soul to take, oh, oh yeah
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