## **His Dream**

## **Asher Roth**

He leans back from his desk, rubs the back of his neck

The stress takes effect, grips the bridge of his nose

Squints while he's showin' emotion he normally won't

At fifty six, he re-evaluates, possibly regrettin'

Some decisions that he's madeBlack is turnin' gray, patches of his age

Reflectin' from the glasses, a pass of every page

Passionately day reads, readin' on occasion

Dreamin' of the day when he could do the same thingHe's always wanted to write, that's all he's wanted in life

With two daughters, a son and a remarkable wife

He's in a bind, he's has to provide

A family is relyin' on a Milli to surviveHis father died at fifty six

So he's well aware how vital a father figure is

How big of a responsibility it is

To be a good husband and care for your kids

Never miss an event, helpin' them with homework

Discipline to prevent things when they're olderHis only son is only twenty one

And focus as a poet has only just begun

Papa isn't dumb, he understands what this means

His dream is my dream, my dream is his dreamI close my eyes and I can see his dream

The sacrifices he made for me, his dream

Put it aside for his family, his dream

Yeah, so I'ma keep it alive, yeahAnd so he targeted to be the dream guardian

Guardin' it from anythin' and anyone who's harmin' it

But in his heart he knows the hardest thing about it is

Givin' up on his dream to be all about his kidsAs he kisses the lips of the Mrs

For twenty four years, goin' on the twenty fifth

He thinks to himself, this alone is the wealth

That's greater then what's bought

And that's sold on the shelfSometimes a dream is all that we have

We have to continue to dream

'Cause once it is lost amongst other thoughts

Then what really are we? What are we? I close my eyes and I can see his dream

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Yeah, so I'ma keep it alive, yeahSo he sits back at his desk

Crackin' his knuckles and back of his neck

Faxin' a paper displayin' his name

On another application explainin' the mainThings they should know but the things that they don't

All the things that distinguish him as an adult

And over the phone he can never expose

The roll that he chose, the roll in his homeAnd at home he is a leader, a father

He'll prove it by usin' his son and his daughters

In their life he'll be playin' the part of

The one who inspires, the one we admireHis only son is only twenty one

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