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Black
Poetry

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"The Money"

Not saying, "the money" has some of them telling lies!
Nor saying, "the money" turns some good guys into their
definitions of bad guys!

Also without having time to say, "without passing judgement
the money turns some deals to fakes!

At the same time "the money" makes some feel the emotions
of love and hate!

While the money has some full of deceit!

And with some the money has the dirty looking clean!

However, in all reality it isn't the money at all!

It's individuals' application, interpretation, motivation, and
usage of "the money" that's already involved!

So therefore, I'm not going to say, "if it wasn't for the
money there wouldn't be any work at all!"

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"Wet by Pain"

Situations where it seems like nobody understands!
In which, silence and walls become your best friend!
Trapped with no way out and only a way in!
Some people know what's going on and not even caring!
Spiritually and mentally can't be broken!
With some people hating to hear the truth when it's spoken!
Not saying, "cause they're use to listening to lies!"
Then no matter what I do in a sense I'm still
despised!
Inflicted with all types of abuse and pain!
Yet instead, still refuse to submit or change!
While sometimes it gets so serious there's no time for
fun and games!
Then after listening to the meteorologist say, "plenty of
sunshine"; only to go outside and get "wet by rain!"

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"Just like you"

Striving and growing to reach heights that's outta sight!

Decisions from the past in a sense hold us back!

From determination we continue to attack!

Continue to attack life with our mind!

Refusing to give up and shine!

Sometimes situations get frustrating and depressing!

But overcoming them is strength and the real blessing!

It's plenty of wisdom with in!

What I don't know I may ask a friend!

Others may help you see something you don't see in yourself!

While the best thing we can do in the struggle is help others in the struggle "just like you!"

"Payback"

They like to play all types of games!

Guess mines isn't too lame!

16 years straight and i'm still here!

Taking chances and thinking to obdge the tier!

It's thinking that keeps us alive!

Cause when you're Black at times it's hard to survive!

Our rights considered wrong and we still alive!

Getting no pay after working 9 to 5!

Still spreading love, and turning darkness to light!

With education as the only way to get some
Payback!

In which, this is all cause we're Black!

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"Short into long"

It's crazy when you're broke but honestly a sign of wealth!
Not waiting, "there's no way possible you can do it by yourself!"

On top of that there's not many knowledgeable Blacks left!

Some of those than can really hear claim to be deaf!

While some claim to have 20/20 vision but blind!

With alot given sentences of something that will keep you behind!

In which more than those given sentences are affected by time!

So thoughts and actions are liable to make some change their mind!

Knowing everything we've done or plan on doing has already
been defined!

While there's no way to escape life and many don't understand!
Had we known the Higher Powers plan; then we'd be the Higher
Power from beginning to end!

Then we'd avoid certain situations, and know exactly what situations
to get in!

All the while changing the sober to get in touch with a Higher
Power!

At the same time not gets persuaded by peoples' ideals, beliefs,
and interpretations of what the Higher Power is!

Aware of the fact each individual have to answer for
their own, no matter who taught them their application of
right and wrong!

Then it's not impossible to turn the "short into long!"

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"Taking what has been given"

Succeeding even though to others it looks like I failed!

Sad to say without saying, "another Black statistic who ended up in a cell!"

Even though in this game it's lies they listen to and lies they tell!
And if you aren't down with the program you're considered to be a rebel!

So therefore, in order to survive we have to listen and watch well!

Reason being from slipping they'll pull up in your cell!

No matter what they told or tell, we have nothing to hide and all still isn't well!

At the same time it's extra hard on an Incarcerated Blackmate!

Due to the fact, very few individuals affiliate and understand!

It's no way possible we can be wiser than when we was first put in!

While over the years have been secretly getting wiser!

Wisening about what's really going on in life!

Even though not competing but we all have our own definitions of wrong and right!

Knowing African Americans' survival in America is always going to get attacked!

With all of us looking alike but so different!

Not saying "being in chains on ships is the same as being in chains in prison!"

Regardless of the similarities we still living!

In which, our only prosperity comes from "taking what has been given!"

"Black"

When you're aware of Black truths you can easily recognize white lies!

At the same time be on point with Black lies!

They consider it all game!

Those with the best win everything!

Not saying "if a person lost they lost anything!"

Yet instead, only a few will comprehend and understand!

The truth they hiding and the lies they providing!

We can't help the fact cause we're Black it's war!

Never really expecting us to know!
Cause application of the knowledge can affect their cash flow!

Especially with so many whites being rich off Black labor!

With alot of Blacks not having one cent!

We'll never be legit cause crime is what got us in it!

The Trans Atlantic Slave Trade was illegal!

Some of those same criminals consider us evil!
We've been beaten, and everything you can think of done to a human being!

Yet instead, we still strive if you know what I mean!

It'll never be peace and always war!

Pulling you over for profiting cause you're Black in a nice car!

"Happiness"

Surrounded by a lot of anger and pain!
Been through so much that we can't look at life the same!
Things change on the inside and outside as well!
So many secrets that words can't be used to tell!
Survival depends on our wits!
From lack of understanding a lot of people against it!
With our only mission which is to stand strong!
While some dying or getting killed before they make it home!
Yet instead, even with a sentence of time the light still shines!
And at night the stars still glow bright!
We're all we have wrong or right!
Helping and teaching each other!
A brother without the same father or mother!
Building upon bonds with individuals that we didn't know
exist!
All and all time isn't that bad cause no matter what we
still have our "Happiness!"

"Why must I Rebel"

My skin color makes me automatically have to rebel!

But this comes from being ^{not saying, "Black!"} a descendant of slaves as well!

So it doesn't matter if people snitch or tell!

Due to the fact, Blacks can't escape our lineage of roots in or out of a prison or jail cell!

However, some of us ^{while not comparing} have to submit for the money!

While some of us have to rebel for the money!

Yet instead, some don't understand nor comprehend and may think it's funny!

In which, Black survival is hard now in days!

Because a lot of Blacks have went Black astray!

By having accepted and submitted to the forces of Black disunity!

So by me being in tune to Black truths I must Rebel to survive!

^{Not looking at the past}

But plenty of Blacks could still be alive, only if they rebelled and instead of telling the truth lied!
So there ~~is~~ ^{is} this is one of the reasons I must Rebel to survive!

"Caged up love"

Have you ever wanted to express your love but couldn't!
Uncertain about if what you think or feel is real!

Then the only emotion we really embrace is the one that
will get us a case!

When in time others empower the heal!

The heal of hurt and being away from biological family
everyday!

Our happiness still exist!

But caged up love makes it hard to express this!

Others using words to intrude the thoughts in your mind!
That's only if you're listening, paying attention, or giving time!

No matter where you are life isn't that bad!

"Caged up love" prevents some from being a mother or Dad!
Uncaging love that has been caged up for so long is a
struggle of its on!

Believing we can do it!

While others help pull us through it!

Incarcerated but free!
From sharing and caring others help uncage the "caged up love"
in me!

"Believe in yourself"

Believe in yourself even when it seems like you have no one else!

Some people will always try to discourage!

While the best option is to overcome them with courage!

Life is about thinking and decision making!

At anytime whatever you have can be taken!

Some individuals claim to be real but faking!

With certain incidents having the bold shaking!

Listening and think quick is the best way to win any challenge!

As long as you're living and tried you never lost!

Even though the objective is to win at all cost!

Sometimes you have to follow to lead!

Be careful because people are watching your actions and deeds!

Moms and pops only do so much for so long!

So eventually you're going to have to stand for what you think is right or wrong!

"Believe in yourself!"

Some individuals like to see you walk around in defeat!

Also there isn't anything wrong if you ever have to retreat!

Believe in yourself and know you're striving right!

Your actions will help bring it to light!

No matter what the universe will help you bounce back!

Believe in yourself and know your mental is always under attack!

"Think to Maintain"

Born in America with African blood running strongly through my veins!

With it now being the 21st century and nothing haven't changed! Except some Blacks are now facing crosses from some of our own kin!

Then some Black females getting pregnant just to stand in the welfare line!

While in the war for Black survival at times work is hard to find!

So just to eat some of us forced to take chances and grind!

Even though it's education that advances us or keeps us behind!

Not neglecting the fact some people's skin color automatically puts us on front line!

In which, from lack of wisdom alot of African Americans are doing time!

Aware that its set up to keep alot of Black individuals in confine!

Forcing some of us to duck and dodge to keep from dying!

Because without witnesses some people will tell their truth even though they're lying!

Whereas, without others actually knowing us some of them will take other's side like we're honestly committing crime!

Nonetheless, lacking understanding that it was already planned for African descendants to be European defiant!

Knowing that since the arrival of Blacks on ships and in chains that we can take suffering and pain!

Even after supposedly given our freedom some submitted, some rebelled, and some got game!

At the same-time it wasn't easy or isn't easy to achieve Black fame!

Thus bec, some people are quick to expose Black shame!
Yet instead, regardless of anything bills have to get paid, and we have

to "think to maintain!"

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"Never Change"

Don't have time to say, "Never Change!"

Due to the fact, was born with, will die, and will take this game!

Not comparing myself but like Steven Seagal had to kill!

Daily and nightly in the field!

Having no choice but to keep it real!

Now don't get me wrong comes from the dirt!

It's amazing to still be alive after taking chances putting in work!

Wanting me to think I'm worthless but they making mil's off me!

Then we have so many mil's that we can't keep them and have to give some away!

So the only thing I can say, if it wasn't for the suffering and pain then we couldn't be players or participate in the game!"

So how can we change, knowing the next minute isn't going to be the same as the minute before!

Having to watch my back because a lot of people have a misconception of war!

Whoever taught them gave them the wrong energy, spirit, and mind state of the game!

So for some it's hard to be low key and maintain!

Then from living and being exposed to so much we can "Never Change!"

"PROSPEROUS"

Some people prey on others' downfall!
So we do whatever it gives and takes to not fall at all!
Not repeating them but they say, "hold it down" but
we holding it up!

The world so crazy making us, buck!

It's hard to explain!
While some whites hiding knowledge from Blacks!

Forcing some Blacks that's in tune to hold back!
In which, we're daily having to attack!

Due to the fact, we're daily under attack!
Violence and bad decisions sometimes hold us back!

All types of negative energy and thoughts directed
at us!

When all we're doing in this struggle is striving to be
"PROSPEROUS!"

'Give it to You'

Change and not from a cash register, is sometimes for the better!

The betterment of you!

Cause your strength and motivation can help others to!

stay happy and never let things get you down!

While wanting to frown, give a smile!

No matter if the individual is an adult or child!

Positive thoughts empower amazing results!

Even though at times the negative be eating us up!

This all cause wire power!

You can't have one without the other!

Just like you can't grow a plant without soil, sunlight, and water!

We fight to educate our mind!

Cause once in the system knowledge is hard to find!

Some of us have done enough years to have plenty degrees in college!

Yet instead, only to be certified of a (GED) pertaining to Book knowledge!

So i'm now taking something some people didn't want me to!

In which, is read and write, plus a chance to

"Give it to You!"

"ACQUITTED"

As time fades away it's like we've become a memory of yesterday!

Without letters or phone calls no one would know we exist!
Sometimes it's like family and friends forget that we're here!
Because they can't hear and aren't here!

Unfortunately and fortunately it had to resort to this!

This as in time!

Not repeating what I heard but, "out of sight out of mind!"

We mine; that's why we stay in line most of the time!

Already convicted before they find out someone is lying!

Yet instead, we're suppose to be innocent but already charged with a crime or crimes!

Having to come up with money to beat what they claim they find!

Sometimes given bonds hoping we can make it!

It's so real the fake hate to take it!

Placed against a lot of odds!

When some stories told are a mirage!

With Miranda rights surrounded by all types of propaganda!

And some jurors finding individuals guilty off stance!

White judge black robe down with it!

Then serving years finally to get "acquitted!"

"Black Hope"

Only a strong mind will help you carry on!

Some so lost they can't find their home!

We taking chances stemming from way back!

In which, now in a sense portrays that!

Not trying to use color as a fact!

So without time to write I'm not going to spell "cause
we're Black!"

A lot of us are victimized by laws!

While some won't correct their way of thinking at all!

So therefore, we're faced with wars on all sides!

Having to fight the forces of divide!

At the same time doing what it gives and takes to keep

"Black Hope" alive!

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"NO WORK"

It's another day and i'm still alive!
Could have been killed or died!

Taking these 24 hours that was given and strive!
While lack of thinking can lead to situations forcing me
to hide!

Knowing in this game there's no playing 2 sides!
Individuals do different things to survive!

Searching for what's not seen!
With those that lack understanding looking at me mean!
However, don't have enough power or strength to beat me
and my team!

We try our best to keep the business clean!
Yet instead, hardtimes have some of us doing dirt!
With some claiming to have a job but don't do

"NO WORK!"

"Save some time"

Sitting back watching the bald headed man comb his hair!
Then hearing my name called for mail with none for me
bring there!
With it being so hot wanting nothing but some cold water
and cold air!
Under all circumstances remaining nonchalant because I care!
While hoping they play the game fair!
At the same time advising others to be aware!
Seeking challenges to stimulate my mind!
Because at times elevation is hard to find!
So rich but so poor!
Circumstances making me have problems going to the store!
Life is fair and life is real!
Now in days they're putting Harriet Tubman on a bill!
No needs to get paranoid!
Not a bill you have to pay!
But a bill you can spend only if you have money!
In the dark stuff is hard to find!
So therefore, turn on the light in order to "save some time!"

"Blessings and Curses"

Never knowing how long we're going to last!
So therefore, my foot is on the gas!

Yet instead, the gas tank is on E!

And we're still riding!

Refusing to let them catch me!

Everything so different but look the same!

Having to take chances to maintain!

Striving to secure what needs to be secure!

Cause the next moment so uncertain; but we're so
sure and standing strong!

Knowing blessings come from doing right!

And aware that curses come from doing wrong!

"PROVIDE"

No switter than the blindmen looking at me!
With him telling me, "his sense of smell lets him know
what I have on!"

Then able to call whomever he wants on the phone!

maybe i'm green or slow!

So somebody should let me know!

All out but all in!

Took a lost but still always win!

Making the difficult easy!

Working and they refuse to feed me!

Got plenty of work but broke trying to cope!

Stagnated on what to do next!

To in tune with the truth to listen to lies!

Classified between good and bad guys!

Don't have time to debate or state my side!

Had to walk while some ride!

Upfront with nothing to hide!

In the struggle taking chances for my family to

"PROVIDE!"

"Lock US Down"

The war doesn't seem like a war the longer you're in it!
Where your position of authority is plaintiff and defendant!

Then a close friend can turn to defendant!
Yet instead, against all odds and evens we have to win it!
So much money we don't have time to spend it!
A lot of people can't stand after having to detour from the plan!

Some resort to prayer hoping for a better day!
While lions that aren't actually lions pray!

Knowing if we slip they'll take it away!

No matter what people may or may not say this everyday!

While at times communication is hard in every way!

With the objective to keep us down!

Labeling some a threat or rebel because we buck to stay up
and not down!

In which, this mentality is carried on by individuals from
different cities or different towns!

It's too quiet, and they claim they smell loud and fixing to
"Lock US Down!"

"Stay Alive"

Smiles concealing pain with nothing to hide!

If not for letters or phone calls no one would know i'm alive!

Forced to take chances everyday in order to survive!

While from telling the truth considered to have lied!

Still breathing after incidents in which I could have died!

Yet instead, smiling when I should have cried!

Even though I have plenty of work circumstances force me to work a 9 to 5!

At the same time riding with Alabama even though i'm not a crimson tide!

However, without having time to spell striving to make good decisions to "stay alive!"

"Order Wrong"

Incarcerated with a sentence without time!

Even though everyday i'm awoken to objects of confine!

Yet instead, minus all circumstances refuse to give institutions my mind!

At the sametime polticed so much that i'm aware of the truth or when people is lying!

Then for not listening given a C-15 or failure to follow instructions, and considered to be rebellious or defiant!

Daily observing a clock that doesn't properly work!

And never having nothing to hide from administration especially the cert!

While not trying to show facial expressions from playing football with a basketball i'm in pain or hurt!

Hating to get bad news because at times it makes me go berserk!

So with all the potential drama, and drama going on; my only hope is to think, and even though I don't have any money hope the store people don't get my store

"Order Wrong!"

"Can't Fold"

Going hard without even going!

Then knowing what they don't want me to be knowing!
While some of those claiming peace are really warring!
So much dirt we can never get clean!
Then if you're Black you're already in it if you know what
I mean!

At the same time it's easy to get distracted from achieving an
African American dream!
Cause in the blink of an eye we could be the victim of a
drive by!

It's not that get entrapped because a lie!
Not reciting, "we've been taught if we don't do as they wrote
we're going to burn in eternal fire!"

In which I can't take that a face value because it was told
before whoever told it had a chance to die!
Being I don't honestly know the truth, I'm taking chances
getting high!

Just a little weed to cope with the pain!
While hoping the Higher Powers help me maintain!
Due to the fact, without any help some will resort to self
destructive thoughts and actions in this game!
Not thinking the something some of us will take will be
eventually given!
However, it hard to under when you've never been free and
currently in prison!

Even though some of us refuse to let circumstances get to us!

Whereas, sometimes it gets so unpredictable we don't know who to trust!

With from not submitting at times they label us threats or dangerous!

Forcing some of us to not let the game anger us!

Being when we're not thinking it easy to lose self-control!

In which, enforcers of judgement are quick to put some of us in a hole!

While with some it's quiet as kept and with others it is good as told!

Regardless of what hand has been dealt we "can't fold!"

"Valentines"

My love for you is everyday!

Even though sometimes your actions and nonactions
in a sense push me away!

However, the thing about it i'm here to stay!

Affected by my decisions to express my love in each
and every way!

So i refuse to acknowledge my love to you just on
Valentines Day!

Yeah it's a pain, but I hope you take the strength
I give you from the chances I take to maintain?

According to civilians it's a crime shame to talk
on a cellphone and tell you anything!

It's hard to understand and hard to explain!

Especially when there's no secrets involved and
i'm risking everything!

Without saying, "you're my valentine every day and night
and that'll never change!"

Yet instead, just to play the game Happy Valentines
Day and I hope cupid gave you everything I

gave him to give you!

And don't get it twisted it's me not him that love you
and feel you. (26)

