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The balance of life // trying to reach out to that 13...

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This collection of writings is DED to : BELINDA BANKHEAD,
and to HAISHA JOHNSON, two(2) beautiful ladies that i had the
true pleasure of knowing / & loving throughout my life. I think
about you two(2) every morning i awake, a part of me is def-
inately with you(always). I really miss you, then you're with
the ANGELS now. (REST.IN.PEACE)

SOUTH.CENTRAL.S.A.
THE LOW BOTTOMS
43 RD STREET GXC'S
LIFE & DEATH
INCARCERATION
PROFOUND THOUGHT
LIFE EXPERIENCES
SAYINGS & METAPHORES
TODAYS REALITY
SPOKEN-WORD, THEN BE THE NEXT BEST THING TO LIKE GOD'S GOSPEL...

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SO, CENTRAL. L.A. / THE LOW BOTTOMS

i came up, from up under the muddy waters, that is
up until the time that i was old enough to understand, that
then pipe dreams is a motha-fuckah

growin-up city life
then my area code bein 2-1-3
no role models in my life

only the weight on a young niggas shoulder's
sometimes i wish that it was another way out
i see the street's in-front of me
but im un-certain at best
shit aint right for me & my nigga troub
so im an give these street's my very best

now off & runnin for the chase
NO FINISH LINE
for its nnever really any winners in the end
for death come's to us all

ive witnessed good solid niggas getin twisted for the greenbacks
and black on black then equals flat-line / like 100'X over
and now its three adult felonies aint this a bitch
all apart of big brother's infamous plan
to like keep on setin us back

now twisted and missin in action
out of state incarceration, like up in this EVERGREEN STATE
10 yrs later in-retrospect and i can still dsee the faces

the exact same ole once young niggas
is now older niggas
and is doing the exact same ole thing
shame on them all, for GOD have mercy on their souls
they cant see

once man-child / now man
my life's lessons came way by exclusive like
then the HARD-KNOX teachings

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the streets tested me
and niggas from the other side
then they stayed checkin for me
everyday police constantly arrestin me
but all along, then the penitentiary was calling out for me

while on the inside then defiance i contested
my rebellion from within
all along then stemmed from a much darker seed
a hate then much greater than myself

in the system i was educated
and taught that then the first law of nature was self preservatio

i studied ISLAM
and was taught to speak KI-SWAHILI
my culture i now know
my culture i now understand
my culture i now embrace

i had to learn to dechiper between illusion
and then that which was right befor me
discipline we learn quick about the DO'S /and DONT'S
and then niggas who got it comin
they get moved on

but im ah stay soldier, that is
until my sanity is once agin set-free

this stronghold has got the noose wraped tight around my blk-
soul;
but if nothing else im ah be alright though

10 yrs later in-retrospect and i can still see the faces

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NOW THAT'S GANGSTA

i juggle thought's most oftentimes like its an act
it all comes down to straight word play
yeah, but the gist be more than real though

still a factor aint gone lie
yeah, the streets gave me that mental toughness
now im ah mix it up / and flip it
and put a whole new POSITIVE to it

meditations on life
influence being subject to a positive & a negative
and this is where the game present's you with two different -
types of hats

the seed's that you sow
no cliché / then its real
they do come back to harvest
so watch how you get down / step

they say the same thing that make you laugh
will make you cry
and the street's always seem to take much more than it give's
pay attention
then sure'ly, someone has just got to feel me

quite a few that was truly close to my heart
i lost to the street's
and situation's / and circumstance tend to always make you think
and doin 25 to life
suppose to watching the casket drop
now this shit be real
im not talking just to talk

tell your mother, sister, brother, cousin, son / or daughter
that you love em today
for tomorrow is promise to none

it just so happened
for so many yrs
i bathed a neighborhood
in an unconditional type of love
never seein past the bigger pic

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because if i did
then just maybe, maybe
things would be a whole lot different in-speaking

thinking outside of the box
now that's exceptional to me

and shineing to me is like
when your mind is like all the way right
seting yourself apart from the next man
being complete individual
leading by positive example
always doin the next best thing
and yet & still, geting blessings from your peoples
now that's GANGSTA

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OBLIGATED BY BLOOD

obligated by blood
now watch me put like a cold spin on this
then sometimes i have no control over what im feeling
for when i look at the world from where im at with life
then know that i seldom smile

now in a position i have absolutely no control over
i often take a long hard look inside of self
then all the while
the world should like always take stock of my every thought

mom's gave birth to me
the state stepped in in and like placed its right arm around me
and now ive come to understand that
then for the extra green backs
my mom's sister / and her family
they quick like vtook custody of me

and from that point on then you know the rest
the block become's the surrogate father
growth signifies status
and eventually
the penitentiary start's to play up like over & over in one's-
own mind

then to every man life un-veils his true colors
indefinite war since pres.bush been up in office
and 911 then a simple glimpse off into the past
then mere'ly a reflection of the japaneese at pearl harbor

mom's forgive me
yah free me
then why didnt nobody ever take the time out to teach me

americans son's & daughters
sacrafice, fight, and die
then befor they can even grow
patriotic are some
but many are un-forgiving

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one man's greed is now yet another man's hate
circumstance triggered by indifference
the economy now completely turned upside down

the rich continue to attend \$500.00 plate dinner partys
and toast champagne glasses
while the poor continue to look-up from the very bottom
and continue to contemplate their next move's

mom's forgive me
jah free me
then why didnt nobody ever take the time out to teach me

shawn bell took "50" shots by NYPD'S finest
a tragedy in / and of itself
while some would say that's a crying shame
still the blatant use of police brutality in this 2000
now more so shown, time & time agin

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FOLLOW MY LEAD AND ILL SHOW YOU

follow my lead and ill show you
i come with this like on a given
then it aint nothin

use to think that it was just about me & mines
but now i see that everybody is goin through this

my life is one of restless
everyday a test check it
i was gave up on by society, but yet here i still stand
a man in my own right
then i been head-on in struggle like ever since i can remember-
way back when

mom's tried to reach me i know she did
but the currents of life were to damn strong
and seperated us apart
but in my black heart
know that you'll always be there

my faith 10'X stronger now
incorporated ISLAM up in my whole get down
i live through ISLAM now
i went from hood / to straight
then no questions ive always been stand-up

then you can just simply call me the best now
lifes testament
then for some its gonna take a miracle
and revelations
just look around you, then everyday its goin down

life, one big game of chess
and once you start to play it
then you can never ever stop

then back then, who would've ever thought that
id be looking at the world through different eyes now

im feeling every bit of life's pain's-
just like the next man
then my struggle be one & the exact same-
7. just like the next mans
and in the back of my mind oftentimes
i pray for sincere change-
just like the next man

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lord please then somebody help us now
juvenile on the fast track
then just catchin glimpses of life
society looks the other way
and so all i can ever give you
then is the better part of me

best case scenario
then my whole get-down is to perfect this
the window of life
then it is decreed upon every single man
the road map to life
then just back track on the next mans every single struggle's

come follow my lead and ill show you

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WALK WIT ME

2012, storyteller in the best life
like the man HARRY HOUDINI himself
one of the greatest showmen to ever grace a stage
then my aim is to reach the ghettos like, the world over
and so from my contemporary's, equal applaud i receive

trying to navigate life in a concrete jungle
then everything that i ever played into in life
when i was coming up
was stamped with
MADE FOR TOUGH

my rap sheet be my life's resume
my thoughts be like then something exceptional of the sort
my delivery be like so'so cold blooded to the touch

my daughter ANTANIKA the apple of my eyes
my son JUSTIN everyone says he's a splitin image of me
i say that's crazy
but reality beg's to differ
and say its all apart of creation

all of us in some ways imprisoned by our very own beliefs
sometimes i strongly feel like
i possess the soul of a true performer
and then other times i feel like
i got the blood of a MASSIAH WORRIOR up in me

my resolve a direct correlation to my every being
then stop right there
you can just call me a student of my environment

LIFE, DEATH, INCARCERATION, FORCED LAUGHTER, YRS OF PAIN,
WE ALL CRY GODS TEARS, RESENTMENT, YRS SPENT WASTED

looking for understanding
praying for guidance
moms i love you
believe that everyday a struggle
one day the whole world like right befor your very eyes
and then the next its gone

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mind strong
everything strong
move strong
say it aint so
MADE FOR TOUGH
EAST-SIDE STRONG
now who puts this down with that black genius
then who better than me / ill straight walk you through it

we like top of the morning wit it in here
and we move when their still sleep
and when they wake-up
our work be already done
AWAKE NOW

life comes back around to you like full-circle
i now walk in the very likeness of the SUNNAH / ISLAM
then you can just say that im muslim now

the street's gives you a false sense of hope
then in the end / and even along the way
then everybody whoever plays off into this game
most certainly looses a piece of their soul

say: whos gonna cry for the child thats thrown away
say: whos gonna share in, and feel a most genuine pain, for all-
of the youth that has been mis-guided by life like along the way
say: whos gonna walk down wit me then all of these calenders-
that an un-forgiving society has placed upon my lap

life counted me out from the very start
i played the hand that was delt to me without cause
i went up aginst all odd's
i flirted with death time & time agin
yrs of life wasted in prison

poverty i swimmied in it
the ghetto i left my stamp on it
pain i done felt most all of it
love i tryd my hand at it & lost

foolish pride equals years of regret
and loneliness is a thing that
the average caint even begin to possibly grasp

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SINCERE

no sesame street type of playwright here
then i gets down like for-real / for-real

release the crackon
then im most sure you've heard of this one catch phrase
and now its about that time to bring up out of me the beast

i never battled with myself over anything as much
then as ive struggled with my very own soul to be sincere

like david blaine my spit be like magic
i vivid'ly create lifes pic's out of simple thought
and then bring them to the for-front

when times get hard
then its like every man for himself
i thought that blood was suppose to stick together
then i thought that blood was thicker than water

life's every tales
while some hold true
then many are far fetched
but then agin i think that
its the blood that's up in the vein's of the individual

would you lay down your life for your brother
would you lay down your life for your mother
or for any of your peoples
then whoever is consider4d blood relations

its the ultimate love & sacrifice of one individual
a bond which never breaks / a hand hold that be so strong
could be best sumed-up then by a most strong conviction

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the world is goin crazy
this world is geting hazy
i for-se like right in front of me
then the page's of life just keeps on turning
im visualizeing revelations at its best

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politics & circumstances
influence being subject to power
man makes the whole world go round
but each one
then we oftentimes forget to give credence to a much higher power

green-backs, yeah they call them the cakes
but none of us could ever truly live without curriencies

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then as ive struggled with my very own soul to be sincere

in times gone by, then all i could ever do is reflect
old soldiers never die, then they just simply just fade away

mama, say a simple prayer for me "huh"
then i can straight-up feel it in the air
its going to be a minute

and when i put that work in that day
little did i know
i would be giving-up everything
then everything that i ever loved

THE STREETS

THE BLOCK

THEN ONE FOR ONE

ANOTHER FUNERAL

ANOTHER MOTHER IS NOW YET MADE TO STAND FACE.TO.FACE-
WITH HER MOST WORST FEARS

ANOTHER SON IS GONE

then he's now just a simple thought in everyone's memento
we often times celebrate to erase our every pains
but then agin, the better part of our conscious never lets us-
forget

then dont get it twisted

CALIFORNIA LIFE

equals neighborhoods & blocks

and red & blue bandanas carry the exact same weight
often life / or death

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now its everyday white chalk
cemetarys
and head-stones
and those who got caught-up like along the way
are now forever missin
its no comin back from that one

and all of those who we hold most close & dear to our breast-
plates, now were forever missing them

and in here anybhing over 25 years
then calenders we dont even begin to express

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SPIRITUAL JIHAD

my mind like oftentimes
within the confines of purple haze
my every awakeing thoughts
then sometimes castrated by the world that surrounds me
in a world all my own
i look-up towards the heaven skys

a somewhat like morning midstmist
pervades my carmel colored skin tone
my mind state
then brings me that much more closer to a mental climax
i then look EAST in the general direction towards MECCA

our spiritual essence
made manifest
then each one ,already to begin with, born muslim

in the begining we lost our way/ but now
we come back to the here & now ayin, like once more
then we come full-circle

we bow down to SUNNAH five time's daily
then all praises are exclusive to ALLAH
then all of this for a most purified state
want for your brother / what you would want for yourself
is what is said

and they say its never the religion initself, but then its the-
people that make it hard

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AZ monsoons
wild fires & earthquakes in CA
flooding in NEW ORLEANS, MIAMI, and in FLORIDA
staright war in IRAQ since pres. BUSH been up in office
muslim nations under attack
jerusalem backed by the U.S. / took flight on LEBANON

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SYRIA and IRAN then big brother to LEBANON
 then what should be the implications of world wide hysteria
 biblically speaking then this was already said

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when made hard
 thats when im really at my best
 distance is time
 and time seperates
 they say pain is love
 but then the experience in itself
 lie's only within a select few

mama i love you
 then the struggle seems so far
 then YOU & I like so far apart

indefinate incarceration
 then i can only ever hope that
 ill see and be with you once more then befor it all comes to a-
 head

i bring most simple thoughts to abstract no doubt
 you carried me for like (9) straight months
 then up inside of your most precious woumb
 then all i can do is ever imagine
 then i love you for that shit

my kids are all grown-up now
 then with babys all of their own
 the ghettos are still the exact same
 then there's a piece of the struggle like up in each one of us

we go to bed at nite
 then with liberation across our minds and in our hearts
 all the while hoping for a much brighter tomorrow
 then in the end always knowing that ALLAH will come through & -
 save face

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DAY OF ATTONEMENT

this is a moment that ill have forever
and so with hand over fist
then im ah give it to you like this

my brother dwyane'X said ASAD
you were going to need you to put something together for this-
next up-coming day of attonement

and when un-certain / or in doubt
then i draw on the strength & might of ALLAH alone
for ALLAH is the lord of grace un-bound

and while i could only ever extend you
a form of enjoyment / or satisfaction
then simply from a SPOKEN-WORD
then SUPREME SATISFACTION is what i could only ever receive-
that is, from you, my intended audience

now my thoughts
are off & running for the chase
as my mind now continues to contemplate everyday real life-
situations
then i say to myself, who can do it better

some people are constantly wrestleing for the wordly pleasures-
of this life
and in the process
some loose their religion
some loose their fate
some loose their way
others forget their childgren
hatred becomes common
and rancour is sown between men

everything negative that i ever once surrounded myself with
now in reality for me
has become a thing of the past

ALL I EVER GOT IN THIS WORLD IS MY ONE PRAYER
WHICH ALWAYS SEMMS TO KEEP ME IN THAT RIGHT PLACE OF MIND
IN ALLAH I PUT MY TRUST
AND WHILE THEY SAY THAT SLEEP IS THE BROTHER OF DEATH
MEANING THAT

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DAY OF ATTONMENT

THEN DONT NOTHING EVER COME TO A SLEEPER BUT A DREAM
 THEN IT IS ALSO SAID THAT
 THERE IS A BLESSING BEHIND EVERY CLOSED DOOR
 THIS PRESENT EXPERIENCE OF INCARCERATION OF OUR'S RIGHT HERE
 THEN MOST DEFINATELY I CONSIDER IT AS ONE
 A RUDE AWAKEINGAWAKENING
 AND NOW WE FIND OUR WAY LIKE
 RIGHT BACK TO OUR MOST TRUEIST OF SPIRITUAL ESSENCE

they say the best things you see in life
 are from behind your eye-lids when their closed at nite
 you can clearly see the joy's, the happyness, the pain's-
 as it comes in flashes

ALLAH'S people are those who understand his law's and do his will
 instead of embracing one another in a spirit of unity
 we continue to maintain divisions in the very name of religion

i can oftentimes like hear a Lil wisper in the back of my thought
 that keeps on telling me that
 then absolutely no one live's forever / so make this one count

coming into this life is so easy
 where as departing from it is so hard
 death is a very critical moment
 during which the soul is up-rooted
 and now what is once remote, will become yet so close

integrity is the foundation on which true life is built upon
 and gratitude in all its manifestations
 then becomes the one true awakening of appreciation in one's-
 own heart

the invitation of un-told blessings
 then i exhume emotions like long since buried deep withinside

i breath life into subject matter
 and as a baby hears his mother's heartbeat
 while still inside of the womb
 then mere words often shape the way that people think
 then in words there is life

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A RUDE AWAKENING
AND NOW WE FIND OUR WAY LIKE RIGHT BACK TO OUR MOST TRUEST OF-
SPIRITUAL ESSENCE

the street life
leads to death, destruction, and incarceration
and politicians supported by the big bankers
create wars to control(3) things, LAND, MONEY, and our MINDS
while the poor make's up the majority of the worlds population

in the moment of truth, then thats when it gets real
and i know you think right now
its crazy how i be kissing this mic
then its like im soldering up for this next feat
and know that
then the stage must first be set
then befor the play can ever begin

and so i take the courage of MALCOLM
the wisdom of MARTIN
the strong spirits of BOB MARLEY
the tenacity of MENDELA
and wth all thats said here today
then no doubt, im ah put my stamp on this one

all living things revolve around the sun
and in genesis 1:16 it says that
GOD made two lites, meaning the sun & the moon
the greater lite to rule the day
the lesser lite to rule the nite
for its a sun-rise which truly marks the begining of a new day

they say the first law of nature is self preservation
and let him who is without sin cast the first stone
thre terminology changes
thought the essence survives shamelessly
and when the rational soul is balanced
then the results become wisdom

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WHEN MY SOUL STIR'S

when my soul inside of me starts to stir
then this becomes yet, a whole nother story to tell in-itself
and all i can ever say to myself is
then where are we at with life now

i speak it, i wear it, my gesture suggest it
my expressions tell the real story
my thoughts i live through

i made my day-view like back up in the early eightys
and i dont think that M.J was quite there yet
then i think that he was still like somewhere-
up off in a college gym/or dormitory makein a name for himself

and after i shook off that un-certainty
then you can best believe that
i hit the blocks runnin hard in full-stride
never not once lookin back on life

then i aspired to be like
and looked up to cats like

BERTTRAIN

MEL-DOG

BIG INSANE

BIG SWAT

STONE WALL

BIG HOGGIE

EDDIE-BOY

then yeah, cats like that

i sold my soul to the devil at a young age
then in-exchange for the life of this world
but only now, could i ever have seen the error in my ways
for in KORAN it states that:

only he who is saved far from the fire
and admitted to the garden will have succeeded
for the life of this world is but good's and chattle's of -
deception

yeah, had some good times in coming up
but when i look back now
20 then life for me per-se
then never really add's up

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WHEN MY SOUL STIR'S

they say that hindsight is 20/20
but if i knew then / what i know now
then im most certain that alot of thing's would be a whole lot-
different in-speaking

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and all i can ever say to myself is
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what make's the difference between life for some
and then certain death for others ?

now atleast 20 yrs gone by
and i still often think about that select few that
i was once really close with
now all i can ever do is wonder ?

many now 6ft up under the earths cold dirt
then with their eye-lids now closed forever

many like literally stretched-out in the back of one of these-
prison systems, then with only memories, of those most close to
heart(FAMILY)

and even after all of these yrs
some still out there on the block, somewhere lost
twisted & missin in action
and like really to far gone in life now
to ever find their way back home

my writings express the now
and the passing of time
almost certainly brings about change

out of sight / out of mind
how sad
then most of us only live life, for that one moment & time
then never quite really seein past the bigger picture in life

no one can ever change the reality that has already been painted
and like placed up on the wall of life for all to see

yeah, i took the neighborhood by storm
but what i really did was

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WHEN MY SOUL STIR'S

and not knowin / at the exact same time
then i really took the world for granted

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MY VERY SOUL SPEAKS THROUGH THESE LINE'S

i brain storm's this shit
i knock down wall's with my mind
and then suddenly change comes
and take's and then converts this shit
my life's writings, man then you got to know
my very soul speaks through these line's

for no one know's tomorrow
and then many of us take for granted
then why do we oftentime's like
look far and beyond for the most precious
then which is right in-front of us the whole time

family, simple life, and a most strong black love
that is of un-conditional
longevity

some choices in life
in-retrospect
we then regret
sins we repent like 100'X over
and bad memories then we so oftentimes repress
my everyday reality then un-contested
i challenge the very next man to walk a single mile in my shoes

this time has got me feeling like
hard as blue penitentiary steel
i say fuck this shit
sometime's all i can do is close my eyes
like lay in the cut
and then like control my breathing
in-hopes that, then i can still find that onnce compassion
that was there inside

3,6,9 yrs to the day, man i tell ya
then im straight-up seein calenders fly by
like that of droves of pigeons

now like more & more
then im hearing from my peoples out on the street's like less & 1
and whenever i do hear from them
then its like always some more bad news

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and then the letters always starts off like this
hello & how are you
yeah its true
did you know ?

has doin bad, shes doin bad, moms is now trippin
and the shorty's are whilein out like out of control
your big homie BERTTRAIN just died acouple of months ago
and here's the obituary
one of your daughter's is pregnant did you know
and your brother just called not to long ago
i gave him your hook-up
oh, and by the way
then im going to try to reach you with some funds like just as-
soon as i can

my life's writings man then you got to know
my very soul speaks through these lines
mans fate like in the hands of other men
a reflection of GOD in my very own right
then i can only find sanctity
in like my own total piece of mind

i pray to JAH today
and then hope that tomorrow wont be the very exact same
for my burden is heavy
and then my pain is deep
look long and hard like off into my eyes
and then you got to see
that within my minds-eye
then my very world has completely stoped turning
i look to the heavens, and then i close my eyes

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SHOW-TIME

when the doors open-up
and the lites go on
and the curtains go up
then you can best believe with me
it's got to be show-time

this is just a preview of a mind that's like-
been up under for so long

my present being then oftentimes-
physically shackled to old past resentments

my everyday thoughts "FREE"
then now like totally exonerated
like the slave that was handed down the EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION
by lincoln some number of yrs ago

i can see the world befor me best through neiroglyphics
i look-up towards the heavens skys
THEN RIGHT NOW JUST PICTURE ME ON ONE
nothing less
then im going to always place my best foot forward

i paint a picture of the world at large-
then through the very contours of my minds-eye

i just recently read that somewhere along the lines of-
2400 people die everyday from hunger

and thethat we live in a world today
where only a few actually swim in riches
and that the majority drown in poverty, pollution, and violence

the world keeps on spinning without me
then sometimes i can only help to wonder
if im not really lost like along the way

we oftentimes let our foolish pride & egos get in our way
and if your ever going to be passionate about something in life
then be passionate about the rightright things

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conservative religious beliefs around the world
are now being replaced by a new form of materialism
the world reactions / ruled by emotions
and they say confession of a single sin
then is the begining of redemption

my kids are now like total strangers to me pre-se
the neighborhood now forever more becomes a figment of my imag-
ination

now im SOLO in my everyday sojourn
and so yet another chapter in my life has been written

most cats find a certain type of twisted solace in-
and get off on
then in the next mans misfortune
the begining of a life & death
are suppose to be like one in the exact same like all the way-
around SYMBOLIC /SACRED

but take notice
then death while at the hands of incarceration
make no mistake about it
then everyone just tends to look the other way

now goin on 17 yrs straight in the mouth of the belly of the-
beast
and at best lookin at 17 more yrs to go
everything of old i throw out the window
and so only now
do i begin a clear transformation of bringing proper form /and
shape to a new me

dig this
i calculate thought
i shape experience
i bring truth to everyday reality
i leave pretenders in doubt / and where their standing
and a cat literally betrays his own brother
then his whole get down is like that of a black judas priest

i am you / and you are of me
like well defined
by our every struggles & strengths, beliefs

dig this
time set's the tempo for everyday life
26. total survival takes presedence over all else, that is
when your looking-up from the bottom

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now real patients we start to incorporate into our day.to.day

from politics
to psychology
philosophy
religion
self-reflection
you name it
then this is what we do

we reach for the stars
we contemplate like real hard
we strive for the most
we make progress even if in small strides
we move forward, like in a steady motion
we teach
we listen
we learn
we build on today for tomorrow
then this is what we do
we now turn everyday dreams intom reality

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EVOLUTION

music & dance, evolution is who i am
can you still hear me from the grave
a voice deep within
in the back of my black consciousness
oftentimes ask / wonder

i paint the air with my thoughts
my love like rain
my emotions like rain
my embrace like rain
so tell me
then can you feel it comin down on your black skin

all i need is like some proper space in-between
and give me a cold blooded beat
thats most consistent with that ZULU NATION african drum beat
and im ah do what comes natural
i paint the air with my thoughts

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can you still hear me from the grave
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my ancestors can you hear me when i dance
can you feel my strong spirits-
when my feet vibrate the red-clay mud that lies on africas ground
my poers begin to open-up
my sweat begin to drip
my every muscle convulges
im now truly lost in black spirit / thought

i dance to the rhythm of you my ancestors
which youve taught me like long since in past
and every dance that the world mimicks of you
then know that its a true testament to your every authenticity
from tap
to swing
from hip-hop
to the hustle
from african dance
28. to american dance

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EVOLUTION

contemporary
and then modern

music & dance, evolution is who i am
evolution is you
i paint the air with my thoughts
my love like rain
my emotions like rain
my strong embrace like rain
tell me
then can you feel it comin down on your black skin

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STAND-UP

im always putin this spoken-word down like
then its nobodys elses business
and when my presence is really felt
then the reality of the world starts to set in
yes, it becomes like yet
a whole nother phenomenon
no mistaken, youll feel my pains everytime
because its as though if i was speaking, like directly through-
you

then this one right here has to be like in the realm of-
undeniable
unbelievable
PHENOMENAL

my song
my story
my whole lifes tale
instrumental when i be doin this
subliminal i embody one
then just picture me in the lite as a reflection of ALLAHS most-
prized possession
ONE

was once dead to the world
then just look at me now
3'X ressurected
manifested the GOD CONSCIOUS in me
and now im at my best
been baptized once befor in holy water
took my shahaadah back in 2004
27 hail marys i once heard a catholic say
our christlike consciousness
our budda & zin like ways
then ive come to understand that
our core beliefs binds us
to something much greater than ourselves

my story
your story
then whos gonna tell it
me / or you

my blood
your blood
30. then they both bleed red
then this is what we must someday come to understand

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STAND-UP

my life
your life
fleeting moments
never no coincidences in life
then second chances they say
are slim to none
STAND-UP

and now what is slick to you per-se
then has absolutely become a thing of the past for me

ive ate in a den with silver-back gorillas
broke bread with some of the most realist ever
and ive drank shanate up out of the exactn same coffee cups-
of those most hardened, and hated by a society,
on level 4, and level 3 calif main lines

my baptism
an experience all in-itself
then yes, you can rightfully say that
then ive straight-up been to hell & back so to speak
was once dead to the world
then just look at me now

moms gave it to me when i was real young
and so i had to pick it up quick
never no turning back
then my position became the front line
the block provided the means
and the streets gave me everything that i could ever wrap around-
these two hands of mines

but now in looking back
then you tell me
at what cost do we sell ourselves short
for ill gotin gains in life
then becomes only a false sense of hope, and security, that is,
when all is said AND done

my life
your life
fleeting moments
never no coincidences in life
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STAND-UP

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STAND-UP

right here
right now
we stand on our face
while the world just keeps on spinning
and there's something just not right here about this one picture

i got the heart of MALCOLM X
i got the mind-set of MARCUS GARVEY
i got the spirits of NELSON MANDELA
and fa-sho i got the soul of that mighty BLACK PANTHER

one of the greatest challenges ever
then the procession of life

and evidence of thing's not yet seen
then would be the principal of faith

ISLAM is life
the QURAN is the best thing yet
and the prophet muhammad(PBUH) is the one true grace to all of -
humanity

we go through life in search for the one door-
which leads us to liberation

and so the givens of life
then becomes the basis of our lessons & growth

my song my story
my whole life's tale
instrumental when i be doin this
subliminal i embody one
then just picture me in the life as a reflection of ALLAH'S-
most prized possession
ONE

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IM AH BREAK EVEN

i speak from an un-spoken place of complex thought's
most times emotions i caint describe
feelings sometimes twisted

love for most is always understood
but rarely ever properly expressed

my every sincerity sometimes watered down by tears
and my path in this one life right here
then is still oftentimes hard for me to completely grasp

caint nobody hear me
then aint nobody never really feeling the real me
then yes
ive been straight puting exceptional thoughts down to paper-
now for years
and yet i still
then havent nobody really put that bright light on me

ive done got so hands-down with this
and now i just take it and run with it
my life is like a novel, in itself
and aint to many
that can actually stand next to me when im on deck like this
then each time i raise the bar that much higher

my stage be this very moment
then its like right here & now
up under my feet where i stand

most oftentimes it seems like
then i caint even catch a break for real though
and i know somebody out there feel me on this one
it seems as though i caint never win for loosing
but im ah keep on trying my hand at life though, that is,
until i break even

im ah personalize this one, and guess what
then you can literally call me up on this one
or you can even put me up against the best of them
and i guarantee you that, then im ah still come through winning

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IM AM BREAK EVEN

its as though
my heart is always seeking out peace in times of struggle
in the thick of it
all around me everyday lifes reality's
and for what its worth
then im starting to like literally reach out and touch them

war & protest now more so witnessed than ever befor in third-
world country's
for this can only be the voice of GOD
speaking directly like through his peoples

then humanitys now crying out all over the world for peace
"WAR BE GONE"

natural diasters now shaping our lives everyday more & more

everyday in life something lives, and something dies
everyday our life span decreases, and our end comes closer
everybody got to get through something, and most of us dont quit
for hopeless in-deed is the man that carrys the weight of in-
iquity on his back

the greatest learning then oftentimes
come from the deepist of pain's
and how we live our lives moment to moment
then be our trueist religion

inner strengths / outer struggles
equals everyday lifes lessons
our past makes us who we are
and so we push the envelope real hard

and love is what were really made of
seein is believein

and it is also said that:
there is no peace without sacrifice
my daughter ANTANIKA i love & adore you the most
my mind constantly giving birth to new ideas
the real TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER EVERYTHING THATS NOT REAL
then the only place were ever truly free is in our minds

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IN AN BREAK EVEN

keep your family close to you and the streets far from you
for the choices you make in this life
ultimately becomes yours and yours alone to bare

now everything & everyone that i ever once knew in life
includeing my kids & family
is for the most part now alien to me
check it
momories are meant but to fade away
and so dont nothing ever comes to a sleeper but a dream

you can call me up on this one
or you can even put me up against the best of them
and i geurantee you that then im ah still come through winning

incarceration is real
life's gos on without me
my word is everything that i stand on
and so for now
then im just waiting on that next blessing

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SPOKEN-WORD

spoken-word
caint nobody do it better
i be one of the best

the penitentiary everyday im living
then its gonna take much more than this to hold a nigga like -
me down

im ah give this one all of my love
im ah give this one the very best that's up in me
im ah put into this one my every conceivable thought
then i now bless you with my spirits
FEEL ME

i gave this one cat myy spoken-word
and when he hollered back at me
then he gave me his best blessings
he said, yeah homeboy, then i see that youve graduated

my demonstration be second to none
and on a scale of 1 to 10
then just check out my every magnificance
tell me what you think
the very first generation passed down to me their blessings
and so CALIF LOVE then is all that i ever know

the best in me is yet to come
and moms then yeah, i can really feel it now

never really knew my pops
then you can just simply say that im my mothers son

politics coupled with circumstances
and i know best what it feels like to struggle
then its like
when your stomach start touchin your back
and you can really feel those hunger pains

caint never count me out
for many have been baptized through the water
but for me, now that i look back, from day one
my baptism had to have been one of straight fire

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SPOKEN-WORD

human nature is best described
sometimes complicated
each individual set apart from the next
GOD created the heavens and the earth in like (6) days
and universal, then this means that
man makes the whole world go round

turn the channel on the news now
then for the most part everyday its goin down
global warming
and major oil spills in the gulf of mexico
the news say that kids on college campuses are now useing food-
stamps to supplement their income
the day to day life we live
the elements we now pay witness to
first it was new-orleans
then it was haiti
now its pakastan

earth,wind,and fire
take an educated guess
then tell me which one you think be next

spoken-word
caint nobody do it better
then yeah, i be one of the best

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MY THOUGHTS LIKE RAIN

right back on stage now
then you can just simply call me the best now
then ill make you stop, and stare, and pay attention
while thoughts manifest
then spoken-word be the truth

from once shortys on the block
to where are we now as adult men

the slave trade, a blood stained legacy
a transplanted race, four hundred years of evil
i throw-up the both of my hands unto GOD
and i ask you to now feel me & my peoples pain

Lance(CHINO) i never got the chance to tell you this
the love i straight hold for you
then you remind me of like a brother
and between me & you
its like a bond which never breaks
a hand-hold that be so strong
then this one is for you & bert my nigga

they say you live by the gun you die by the gun
and now whenever i really look back on it
and reflect about it
then all of my mans that i ever came-up under /and with
then have all like literally died in the streets, faces down
now picture that

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to werwhere are we now as adult men

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a transplanted race, four hundred years of evil
i throw-up the both of my hands unto GOD
and i ask you to now feel me & my peoples pains

i use to always think about life
now all i can see is death around me
take notice, then the game has completely changed
and so the hands of time continue to like fast press on

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MY THOUGHTS LIKE RAIN

some fighting to dodge life or should i say death
 many lost up in the storm or should i say system
 and many are now covered like a straight-up blanket up under-
 earths ground
 all for what
 for a city street / for a city block

my current mind-state now on the world stage
 politicians like ENRON
 all the way down to WALL STREET
 they robin the people blind
 then you got to watch em

big brother is always watching
 and uncle sam always has his hands out

life and death
 then you cant have one without the other lets face it

tax, death, inflation, cut-backs, to set-backs
 then all void of liberation

peace, free your mind, never in this life time
 then the only thing that im ever seein is war

the rich, the middle class, the poor
 never no three(3) ways about it
 then somebody always has to catch the fire

moms & sis holler back at your boy
 i got (17) straight up under my belt now
 and its like everyday im geting stronger & stronger with life
 then justv know that
 i couldve never done it without the two of you

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 to where are we now as adult men

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 i throw-up the both of my hands unto GOD
 and i ask you now to feel me & my peoples pains

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MY THOUGHTS LIKE RAIN

preminition keeps me sharp at best
reflection serves as a window in time
growth the more i fall back on it
then fa-sho i can catch it

our legacys as we retrace our footsteps back in time
then tell me
what is each one ever going to see

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HOW CAN I TRUST YOU

what confidence can be born of a bond between men
in what world could such an alliance be considered stable
did not eve betray adam in committing the first sin
did not cain raise his hand against his own brother able
how many times have we put blind faith in a leader
how often have you spoken up
and stood for the good of the masses

do we not remember how men repaid their great caesar
did you not pay attention in your history classes
were they traitors to england or patriots of america

what of the treatment of the africans, asians, and natives
the implications should cause world wide hysteria
it would seem all mankind are masochist and sadist
word's like biological, chemical, and nuclear weapons
are we really so civilized, are we really so savage

am i my brothers keeper the age old question
answered by terrorist attacks and collateral damage
man killed malcolm x, martin luther king
persecuted the likes of muhammad and gandhi

the blood of the innocent who've been needless'ly slaughtered
continue to torture and haunt me
even our almighty GOD was betrayed by lucifers evil
jesus was sent to redeem us
and was betrayed by his own people

pledges of oath on your honor is what you swear
have hope, have faith, i wont aboon you is whats declared
you say trickaration, and machination have not corrupted you
but if GOD cant trust his own creation
then how could i ever trust you

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ARE YOU STILL THERE

my thoughts reflect
my mind wonders
little black child are you still wit me
where you at
are you still there

from day to day i keep on singing
i sing another song praying for a much brighter tomorrow
while trapped inside of this maze
within the bowles
of the belly of the beast

mind strong, stay strong
then stayin soldier is my daily bread
my one & only sustenance
and so i keep on pushin
trying to flip another tomorrow

caint expound on how i keep on holding on
but it got be like something greater than self
because now that i think about it
i dont really want to die

ghetto visions / equals pipe dreams
little black child runnin wild
then makes for straight-up lost and turned out
crack fiends now real live demons
stick-up kid
now gunman
now doin 25 with an L

now nig brother / little brother
when reached full adulthood
then who will become the strongist
little brother becomes the strongist
and consumes all th3e pain
as though carrying all the weight of an entire generation
of peoples on his shoulders

mama where you at
are you near me
can you hear me
then if presence is felt
why dont you say alittle prayer for me "huh"

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ARE YOU STILL THERE

because of how one stay so strong is of no secret
one must whole heartedly embrace the love of this game
as equally
then with the love & the pain

reflect on the hurt
reflect on the despair
respect the lives that which is given
respect the dead
because they whove reached the epitome
reached the cross-roads

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TRYING TO FIND THE BETTER PART OF ME

all the heavens and the earth hold fast to their breath
then ALLAH love is one of a most
special / spiritual of treasure's

some would say that dieing is easy
and that living is hard
and to this some would surely agree

if we pay close attention and always adhere to the script at best
then in all actuality
were only here on this earth to serve one purpose

and then this veruly be the worship of one GOD / ALLAH
we go from one life's point to the next

were born to die
for we are only ever passing through this one life
like that of a total stranger per-se

we become older
we change our ways for the very best that's in each of us
but most oftentimes then the stage seldom ever changes

mans fate like in the hands of other men
our enemies never rest
for they sit & wait in the shadows of lifes everyday discourse

i was once told that when a woman gives birth
then she passes through death like (7) 'X

our existance, it came to be, then befor we were ever thought of
our mothers we hold close & dear to our breastplates
for without them
then we wouldnt have ever come to be

the better part of me
a significant other
then in revelations / scripture(KORAN) it was so decreed

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TRYING TO FIND THE BETTER PART OF ME

in the begining life may seem exciting
in its middle stages it becomes so'lo
and only there close to its end
then we start to pay like absolute much more attention
to every little lifes intricate detail in its true likeness

my moms always tell me to be patient
my sister SALONIA then she seems to always hold me down
my big brother PROOR finding his way in life with time now
and even from where im standing at
then i can now see better days ahead of him

my life
then be one of many that was forfeited to the struggle
while yet my life
then really be one that has always been one really really rich in
love

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SPOKEN WORD

spoken word
caint nobody do it better
i be one of the best

the penitentiary everyday im living
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to hold a nigga like me down

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SAVIORS DAY

they said ASAP
we need you to come put it down for this savior's day
and only now
my every reaction to constructive change is like always positive

RALPH WALDO EMERSON said it best
to improve is to change
and to be perfect is to change often

if not us then who / if not now then when ?

and remember
its not always what happens to us in life that matter's most
but its how we deal with it

ISLAM is the standard which sets the tone for all of humanity
while our hearts are the very wrappings
which preserve ALLAH'S every words

thoughts like these
can only create memories worth living for
gratitude the essence of faith
and so i bow to life like an actor
who having delivered his last line's

im like a practitioner with this
or even maybe a wordsmith
much more than just a conversation piece
then its truth telling at its best

my religion is one
each year i stand a little stronger
my faith becomes everything
and this one right here
then i throw it up for the masses.

saviors day
the epitome of GODS every decree

saviors day
the epitome of man & woman
of GODS every living creation

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saviors day,
you got to, loose yourself
in the moment in the love
be it universal / or even come wit it like full-circle
then its all like one in the exact same

connotations of unity, of love, and respect
all up under one umbrella / a single banner
then with the exact same message of love & faith

from the back corners of south africa
down to the inner-citys of the neighborhood ghettos
the world over

all the way through to the middle east of:

ISREAL
THE GAZA STRIP
PAKASTAN
MECCA
MEDINA

from jahova to muslim
to catholic, christian, jew

to the sacredness of all religion
to the complete embodiment of one
from the triple blackness of my beloved mothers wound
all men created equal
mothers are the sole care givers of the earth
and so m, to every child
then reverence the wounds that bore you

religion as we know it
then have like really stood through the ages of time
for thre proofs of the many kings, rulers, and prophets before us
then clearly lies in the true traces of history? and in time
for we could only ever begin to phantom

each has his own calling
we start first with our fayther ADAM
down to NOAH, HUSA, IBRAHEIM, DAWOOD, ISA, MUHAMMAD (pbuh)

the traces of prostration is clearly on their faces
which no doubt be the very mark of their faith

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only with time
 does one expression become's like
 reflective & thoughtful
 composed & inspiring
 and know that
 each time i write
 i try to convey something different in each one paragraph
 but most similar in experience
 and believe that
 i stay most definately true to form

my thoughts
 start & stop, like on the drop of a dime
 and when im really feeling it
 then yeah, i be like all the way on
 its like proof positive

humanitys like cryin out all over the world
 war be gone, then where's the peace, where's the love

and keep in-mind that
 when many birthdays come around now
 then presents will no longer cease to exist
 or even be thought of
 but will be replaced by flowers on the head of tombstones

they say you never get a second chance in life to make a first-
 impression
 and so with thoughts befor me
 and pen & paper in hand
 then im ah like literally kiilkill this one "huh"

my thoughts be of deliberate
 and for you my audience
 then know that i feed off of each expression

and when something heavy comes to mind
 then like 9 out of 10'X
 this be the one thing that like
 really moves me the most

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in the cut within the stillness of my confinement
i catch every running thought that try's to push past me
my reflection is absolute clear in lifes mirror
my focus be like a surgeons when faced with real life & death-
situations, it becomes real serious
and my complete being,
then you can say that
i split the image that is the one most closeist to GODS

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