Young World (feat. Kevin Ross & Tony Lewis Jr.)

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When you see me, see you, young world, young world It's all up to you, young world, young world Always be true young world, young world That's all we can do young world, that's all we can do If you let them tell it would of never made it this far Yea you let them tell it would of had to find a new job I consider it a blessing thank God that I know God And every failure that's a lesson go down or you go hard Yea yea and I ain't had no problem making it this far Many told me keep your head up and stay prayed up try loving from a distance Using it as a big sign we just taking a risk now Let it sink in like quick sand and let it keep you at keeping on We ain't never had the silver spoon but they ain't steer me wrong We ain't never had fear of failure but it's in the songs We ain't saying never but did things they say we never do You know how I feel about time and my shits just ahead of schedule Just be prominent, stay dominant, if you said it then honor it Keeping peace while I'm pondering, I just preach it and prosper it Set the bar and I'm climbing it, don't show the way I'm finding it Free the people that's lost in it, more to it than being talented Quality over quantity, confidence over modesty If you got it then show that shit can't hide it if it's evident We just reaping the benefits, we just teaching the have nots And keeping up with the times that we didn't know we would be here So what do you believe young world? I would rather fight for something than die for nothing Who do you choose to be young world? Yea this song is just for you, born in 92, young world, young world, young world It's all up to you, young world, young world Always be true young world, young world Its all we can do young world, it's all we can do, it's all we can do My name is Tony Lewis Jr. When I was 9 years old, my father got arrested for his role in the biggest drug conspiracy in the history of Washington D.C. He will subsequently receive a sentence of life without the possibility of parole.

That was 1989, I've been without my father for 27 years of my life. We live in a country that, that's had this system of mass incarceration of taking fathers away from their children.

And when your father goes to prison, They tell you that your father's a bad guy. Your father may be on the news. They talk about him in the hood.

They talk about him in your household.

You know the love that you felt when that person was there,

You know the fun that y'all had.

You know what they did for you and in many ways what they did for you and what they tried to do to take care of you led them to prison.

In this country where our neighborhoods avoid opportunity, People try to get it the best way they know how.

Men, right, with a divine responsibility to provide and protect for their families and they pay the ultimate price sometimes which is incarceration. For every kid with an incarcerated parent, you should know your parent loves you and they're in prison they're dreaming for you.

They're wishing you're better than them.

So honor them in that way. Be that.

Worst thing you can do is follow in their footsteps.

So my advice to you is, again, live out your dreams,

Be better and don't get taken young world

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