

Clock With No Hands (feat. Mercedes Martinez)

The Roots

Yeah, sittin' in the staircase, holding back tears
Lookin' over mad years worth of photographs
Pictures of some places I ain't never goin' back
Some people I used to love, why I ain't show them that? The skies was overcast, when I was
sober last
My head is spinnin', couldn't tell you if it's slow or fast
It's starting to get too clear, I got to go and grass
To y'all it's a shame but life is what we know it as Waitin', navigating the plot, without plans
In the car, it's hard to read as a clock with no hands
How your man's goin' get up and stop with no yams?
All it take is one break, it could pop the program Whether sinning or not
My back bending like I'm sentenced a lot
I feel some brothers is beginning to plot
It might have been a close friend I forgot
Who started up and ain't remember to stop
I bet these niggaz going remember the shop People think that I'm crazy, just 'cause I wanna be
alone
You can't depend on friends to help you in a squeeze
We all deal with shit on our own And sometimes the beef can grow, get out of hand
Yeah, you know it gets full blown
I never said that you mean the world to me
Maybe it's best that you never know Yo, I'm like Malcom out the window with the weapon out
Searchin' for somehow to find a minute or the second now
Precious time is money that I ain't got to mess about
Need it from the horse's mouth or from my eye with less account Lessons with my back to the
wall, scoping my session out
Stay a little edgy at times when I ain't stressin' bout
Haters don't know shit about me, they the ones that talk shit
Those who love me send it out, so I ain't got to force quit
'Cause I'm doin' better now, don't mean I never lost shit
I was married to a state of mind and I divorced it, man
I'm from where brothers movin' product from the porches
People lockin' their doors, clutching to their crosses The block hot by the law there ain't too
many choices
So what I do is for y'all 'cause there ain't too many voices left
I watch my back and watch my step
And I might forgive but I do not forget come on People think that I'm crazy, just 'cause I wanna
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Maybe it's best that you never know Yo, living in turbulent times, the blind leadin' the blind
Some call it evolution, some say intelligent design
You say you want a revolution, you out of your mizind
Your sons' destitute and their pops all in the prison My man's back in the jam, he like the back
of my hand
He just attracted to scam, he right back in the can
I never sleepwalkin', you dig, you get your shuteye
I'm on the first thing in, I'm leavin' on the red-eye My brother back in rehab, just had another
relapse
But fin himself, it's been like he's been fightin' an energy half
Tellin' me nobody true when they pretend to be that
So closer than friends, that's where I keep my enemy at To many parties concerned, it's time to
live it and learn
Until we're able to grow, forever bridges we burn
My thoughts free as a bird, that's just about to emerge
And every action is heard, it speaks louder than words, yo People think that I'm crazy, just
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