I Wish

R. Kelly

I wish, I wish, I wish
To every city
I wish, I wish, I wish
Every hood
I wish, I wish, I wish
And every block
I wish, I wish, I wish

Ghetto AmericaRollin' through the hood, just stopped by to say, what's up?

And let you know your baby boy ain't doin' so tough

Even though you passed, goin' on four long years

Still wakin' up late at night cryin' tears

Just thinkin' about those days you used to talk to me

Smilin' while I'm sippin' on this Hennessey

And remember, we'd brag on how rich we would be

To get out this hood was like a fantasy

And now you hear my songs the radio is playin'

Oh, I can't believe my ears

And what everybody is sayin'

Boy, I tell you folks don't know the halfI would give it all up just to take one ride

With you

How I used to kick it on the front porch

With you

And how I used to lay back and smoke weed

With youAnd all the little basement party joints we'd do

Now, I'm just missing youHow I wish, I wish that I could hold you now

I wish that I could touch you now

I wish that I could talk to you

Be with you somehow

I know, I know you're in a better placeEven though I can't see your face

I know you're smilin' down on me

Sayin' everything's okay

And if I make it out, this thug life

See you again someday

I wish, I wish, I wish

I wish, I wish, I wish

Ever since this money come, it's been nothing but stress

Sometimes I wish that I could just trade in my success

Y'all look at me and say, boy, you've been blessed

But y'all don't see the inside of my unhappinessMan, I swear this shit gets heavy like a ton That's why you hear me shootin' this real shit off like a gun

s why you hear the shoothi this real shift off like a

I wonder how my friends would treat me now

If I was iced up with a Bentley and a houseThat's why fake-ass niggas get fake-ass digitsAnd

fake-ass players get a real player hatin 'em 'Honey Love' goes platinum and y'all ass come round But y'all don't wanna raise the roof until my shit is goin' down And now you hear my songs the radio is playin' Oh, I can't believe my earsAnd what everybody is sayin' Boy, I tell you folks don't know the half

I would give it all up just to take one ride

With you

And how I used to hoop off in them to tournaments With you

And how I used to club hop on weekendsWith you Your family called the morning of the tragic end Damn, my condolences

> I wish that I could hold you now I wish that I could touch you now

I wish that I could talk to youBe with you somehow

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See you again somedayI wish, I wish, I wish

I wish, I wish, I wish

Voices in my head been tellin' me to come to church Say, the Lord is the only way for you to stop the hurt

Dreamin' of windows, black-tinted like a hearse

But wakin' up to life sometimes seems worse

And all I ever wanted is to be a better manAnd I try to keep it real with my homies, man

Want me to save the world, I don't understand

How did I become the leader of a billion fans

And now you hear my songs the radio is playin'Oh, I can't believe my ears

And what everybody's sayin'

Boy, I tell you folks don't know the half

I would give it all up just to take one ride

With you

How I used to street perform on Friday

With you

And how I'd go to church on Easter SundayWith youInstead of y'all throwin' them stones at me Somebody pray for me

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I wish that I could touch you now

I wish that I could talk to youBe with you somehow

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Be with you somehow

I know you're in a better place Even though I can't see your face I know you're smilin' down on me Sayin' everything's okay Oh, I wish that I could hold you now I wish that I could touch you now I wish that I could talk to you Be with you somehow I know you're in a better place Even though I can't see your face I know you're smilin' down on me Sayin' everything's okay Oh, I wish that I could hold you now I wish that I could touch you now I wish that I could talk to you Be with you somehow

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