

# 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 America Rollin' 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 half I 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 you And all the little basement party joints we'd do  
Now, I'm just missing you How 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 place Even 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 unhappiness Man, I swear this shit gets heavy like a ton  
That's why you hear me shootin' this real shit off like a gun  
I wonder how my friends would treat me now  
If I was iced up with a Bentley and a house That's why fake-ass niggas get fake-ass digits And

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 ears And 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 weekends With you  
Your family called the morning of the tragic end  
Damn, my condolences  
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See you again someday I 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 man And 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 Sunday With you Instead of y'all throwin' them stones at me  
Somebody pray for me  
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