Common, Book Of Life

I got so much trouble on my mind

So I take time

Out my day

To pray and I say

Now I lay me down to sleep

Hopin' that I keep

My soul

Peep, I'm gettin' old

And it's a cold cold world

And I ain't even got a bomber

Livin' with my momma

It's the same routine

Keep my room clean

I'm lookin' to do some new things but ain't shit to do

I'm twenty-two - catch

In the prime of my life

I have no time for a wife

I funnel through the tunnel

Disgruntled, tryin' to find me some light

In the rim of darkness

Aiight you sing, I may not be the darkest

Brotha

But I was always told to act my age and not my color

Knowin' that my color was that of the original

So now I sing the new negro spiritual

It goes get up stand up...etc.

It's like how can you understand the pain

When you never had to stand under the rain

When it rains it pours, and it's about to come down hard

Thank God I found you

As I walk down the road of existence

I get resistance

From all angles

I tangle

For cash

Hopin' it'll last

'Til the end of the week

But all I eat is fast food

And you know how junk food goes right through ya

So I return to the arab

And on the way back

I stop and the liquor store

Grab me a six pack

Knowin' that once I'm done with that I'll be back

To get some more

Once I get started I don't wanna stop

And I can't turn around

Brew - I can't turn it down

Ironically I turn it up

My liver I burn it up (Fat line)

It's my life I live it up

The cup I gotta give it up

One day

I'm cruisin' down a one way street and I done passed fun day

Three blocks ago

It itself life is an obstacle

As I maneuver through the manure I try to be responsible

I want a job but I ain't lookin - how come

I ain't tryin' to degrade myself bein' nobody's Calvin

But I'm a couch bum what makes it bad I had incentive

But I disintegrated

To a state that's stagnated

I procrastinated

I can't recall a day without bein' intoxicated

or blowed

Ain't dealin' with a full deck and any day I could fold

What makes it bad, I wasn't dealt that bad a hand

And I had a plan

But things didn't go through

The way they were supposed to

Thank God I found you

It's like a jungle sometimes it makes me wonder

How I keep from goin' under, I ponder

And try to keep my concentration

In this idiotic nation

They say become I doctor, but I don't have the patients/patience

Adjacent

To that situation

I want an occupation

That I'm into

'Cause yet if I begin to

Live to my potential

I went to

School for fourteen years and my best teacher was experience

I reminisce and wish

I could go back in time to eighty-nine

When there was just sunshine

But now it's like I'm gettin' older to so much strain and stress

I don't think I'll ever be happpy until I rest

In peace

Of mind

And find

Who I am

But thank God I found you