Common, Kingdom (ft. Vince Staples)

I do dirt, in search of a clear mind
Money talk, somebodies gonna hear mine
Grind early before 9:30
Got the nine and the thirty
Kiss of death, you heard me?
My world ain't worldly, any time could be my time
I get high, but still ain't seen Chicago skyline
In my prime, stakes is high cause it's beef
Out here in these streets
Everybody tryna eat off the same plate
Dead presidents, we want the same face
And to think, me and the president, we from the same place
4 hundred and 21 murders, ain't tryna be of the same fate
If I die and go to heaven, will I make it through the main gate?

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Second row of the church with my hood on My homie used to rap, he was about to get put on At his funeral, listening to this church song His family yelling and screaming, I hurt for ?em A cold world that?s why we pack heaters Listening to this preacher as he tryna reach us I?mma need to go back, I gots to get 'em Back and forth in these streets, that?s the rhythm Revenge is supposed to be the Lord's but I use my own accord When I seen him on the porch, cost my man his life, I can?t afford not to hit him Shots ripping through his True Religion denim These streets was my religion I stood over him, his life is over then Now these keys got me locked up with older men Thought these was the keys for me to roll a Benz They ended up being the keys for my life to end

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My money ain't straight, my fam ain't straight
Ain't wanna push kis, heaven couldn't wait
I was hurtin', couldn't get no work
You created me from dust, that's why I did dirt
You said that the last shall be first
Now I'm in a hearse, what's this cash really worth?
My whole life I had to worry about eatin?
I ain?t have time to think about what I believe in
When the days of the kingdom for Chicago gon' come?
I?m coming back like the Prodigal Son, and I got a son
And I don?t want my waves following him, the streets swallowing him
And I don?t want no hollows in him, his momma said she see his father in him

Hope it?s the good things, ?til life was over is when I understood things Standing at the gates ?cause I know you?ve forgiven what I?ve done I?m your son, do I have the keys to get in?

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[Vince Staples:]

Sweet Lord Jesus, tell the polices to let a nigga breathe My sinning father see, got a shipment by the seas See my niggas tryna eat, eat whatever?s on your plate Save some for me, the worst things in life come sitting six feet Tryna hop the gate to heaven ?cause I couldn?t get a key But these niggas play for keeps and I gotta hold my own Tryna watch my back ?cause these stripes ain?t free We still wading in the water, cocaine, blunts, marinating in the water Lean and took a puff and then she gave it to my father Used to take the bullets out so I could play with the revolver Satan serenading ever since I was a toddler Tell ?em talk is cheap, niggas living for the dollar So in God we trust, leave the praying to my momma though Another motherfucker out of control, just walking my soles low Lit up with the abuse, they wasn?t for show, I promise every pistol was used See I was waking up afraid to see my name on the news Broad day, bare faced, giving niggas the blues Nigga who you? They know me on the streets where I grew If you ain?t from around here you get gunned down here Make the best from the least on the quest for them keys To the kingdom

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