MC Lyte, Thank You - feat. Mary Mary, Muni Long

(Lord, I pray) Yeah (Ooh, oh) Yeah, all over the world (Oh, oh, ooh) (Pray) (Muni Long) One of one (Mary Mary) (Yeah, yeah) (I thank You, Lord) (Thank you, yeah, yeah, yeah) I thank You, Lord Yeah

From the gutter, born to a single mother, an anomaly She prayed no one could ever bring harm by stopping me We suffered through tears and years of having nothing 'Til I got wise and opened up my eyes and made something Some on the sidelines like, "Oh, she getting over" Marble from vinyl tile, Jaguars from Novas So now I live the life that most don't even know of Flying high and some of y'all still dusting off your shoulders They sit and wonder why, tryna understand Five thousand square feet from a pork and a bean stand New York is the key, man, where I used to see scams I'm quick to peep whether he's an opp or a weed man They got us caught in a maze, keep us busy to the grave With what we crave, that entertainment craze I was one of them, locked in the devil's den Now I'm free to speak the truth and it ain't no settling

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So the prayers my mama quoted really didn't go unnoticed God heard and then He spoke this, "Drop everything and get devoted" Or what you gain, you will blow it You'll never reap what you sow, and lest in fact, you'll be demoted You're the Lyte because I made you, never be afraid to Stand tall against 'em all and protect what I gave you Never mimic what you see, all them gimmicks come for free And the cynics will look to me and bow with all apologies For treating you as less, but at that point, you were a mess How could they have treated you better? Not even you knew you were blessed And with that, I understand, God, I surrender to Your plan I'll never second-guess Your first word, when it's Your voice that I heard Nevermind man, if they're not the will, then will them away from me I'm doing the best that I can And here, as I stand, I know that I am absolutely nothing without You

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I used to be a worrier, now I am a warrior The weapons of my warfare, mighty through God I used to be a doubter, now I pray louder Shouting up to God, with a voice of triumph (You got me singing)

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