

# Akon, Once In A While

I can see it  
It's funny man  
Cause it's like it's not going nowhere  
And you gon' see it wherever there's struggle  
I see my pain in your eyes man  
So I know you're feelin' me  
It's that twinkle man  
That sign of struggle  
I've seen it  
In me

Cause everyday I can't help but see it  
People ain't satisfied  
And you're hatin' your 9 to 5  
Everybody wanna live another life  
But every goal or mountain you climb  
Not to better your day  
That do leave room for people to say  
I guess you're livin' better now  
Share a little of that cheddar now  
Cause I remember days back when  
A brother was hustlin and robbin' too  
I done tossed up a letter now  
On a whole nother level now  
Still I can't enjoy my fame  
Unless my people doin' the same  
And gettin' money too

(Once in awhile I couldn't look at you)  
Once in awhile  
(and see the twinkle in your eyes)  
And I can see that you never wanna struggle no more  
(Once in awhile I couldn't look at you)  
Once in awhile  
(and see the twinkle in your eyes)  
And I can see that you don't ever wanna cry no more

Cause everytime you ask me, I'm grindin'  
It shouldn't have to be that way  
You shouldn't have to pay my way  
I shouldn't have to want for a brighter day  
Got a little problem on the way  
Bounty hunters checkin' state to state  
Child support lady on your case  
Not to mention tickets you ain't never paid

Oh  
Is what you'll be askin'  
God please hold it down for me  
Don't let satan get ahold of me  
I'm tryin' to tell you it can happen to me too  
But it happened a lot worse to my brother  
Muhammad thank God he recovered

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(and see the twinkle in your eyes)  
And I can see that you never wanna struggle no more  
(Once in awhile I choose look at you)  
Once in awhile  
(and see the twinkle in your eyes)  
And I can see that you don't ever wanna cry no more  
(Once in awhile I choose look at you)  
I see your pain now

I can feel you strain now  
And I can see you cryin'  
And inside you're dyin'  
We're all the same now  
But you got to make change now

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(and see the twinkle in your eyes)  
And I can see that you don't ever struggle no more  
(Once in awhile I choose look at you)  
Once in awhile  
(and see the twinkle in your eyes)  
And I can see that you don't ever wanna cry no more  
Don't wanna cry no more  
And I can see  
That you don't ever want to struggle no more  
And I can see that you don't ever wanna cry now more