Twista, Hope (Remix)

(feat. Faith Evans)

[Verse One]

I wish the way I was livin' could stop

Servin' rocks, knowin' the cops is hot when I'm on the block

And I - wish my brother would've made bail

So I won't have to travel six hours to see him in jail

And I - wish that my grandmother wasn't sick

Or that we would just come up on some stacks and hit a lick (I wish)

And I - wish my homies wouldn't have to suffer

When the streets get the upper hand understand we lose a brother

And I - wish I could go deep in the zone

And lift the spirits of the world with words within this song (I wish)

And I - wish I could teach us all to fly

Take away the pain out your hands and help you hold 'em high

And I - wish my hommie Butch was still alive

And on that day of his death we had never took that ride

And I - wish that God could protect us from the wrong

So that all the soldiers that were sent overseas come home

And uh - we will never break though they devastate

We shall motivate, and we gotta pray, all we got is faith

Instead of thinkin' about who gon' die today

The Lord is gon' help you feel better so you ain't gotta cry today

Sit at the light so long

And then we gotta move straight forward cause we bite so strong

So when right go wrong

Just say a lil' prayer, get your money man, life goes on... (Let's go)

[Chorus]

Oh I'm hopeful, yes I am, hopeful for today Take this music and use it, let it take you away And be hopeful, hopeful, and He'll make a way I know it ain't easy but - that's okay Cause we hopeful

[Verse Two]

I wish that you would show some love

Instead of hatin' so much when you see some other people comin' up (I wish)

I wish I could teach the world to sing

Write some music and have them trippin' off the joy I bring

Shit - I wish that we can hold hands

Listenin' instead of dissin', lessons from a grown man (I wish)

And I - wish the families that lack but got love

Get some stacks, brand new shack, and a 'Llac that's on dubs

And I - wish we could keep achieving wonders

See the vision of the world through the eyes of Stevie Wonder (I wish)

You feel me - and I hope all the kids eat

And don't nobody in my family see six feet - ya dig?

I hope the mothers stand strong

You can make it whether you with him or your man's gone (I wish)

And I - wish I could give every celly some commissary

And no popo bring the heat on our peace like they did R. Kelly

And I - wish that D.O.C. could scream again

And bullets could reverse and Pac and Biggie breathe again

Shit - that one day they can speak again

I wish that we only saw good news every time we look at CNN

I wish that we could never get the blues

Wish that I could bring back the people that died at E2

I wish that we could walk the path stay doin' the right thing

Hustle hard so them kids maintain up in the game (Let's go)

[Chorus]

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[Verse Three]

Wish the earth wasn't so apocaliptic

I try to spread my message to the world the best way that I can give it

We can make it, always be optimistic

If you don't listen, gotta live my life the best way that I can live it

I pray for justice when we go to court

Wish it was all good so the country never even went to war

Why can't we kick it and just 'em on

And in the famous words of Mister King, 'why can't we all just get along?'

Hope we can find a better way to shop in peace

And I - hope we find a better way to cop for keys

And I - wish everybody would just stop and freeze

And ask - why are we fulfilling these downfalls and these prophecies

You can be wrong if it's you doubtin'

With the faith of a mustard seed, you can move mountains

And only the heavenly father can ease the hurt

Just let it go and keep prayin' on your knees in church (Let's go)

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Hopeful, ohhhh ohhhh