

[Intro - Timbaland - talking]

Oh!

You know what?

(Wyclef: good good good)

I go through a lot, since my baby girl's not here

Life ain't been the same for me

Li Li I miss you very much

I want you to hear my pain that I go through (go through ...)

[Verse 1 - Timbaland] + (Wyclef Jean)

It's been three years (AH!), livin this fast life

I think on it, I know one day I won't have life

People don't know me over the time B

They don't wanna know me, they wanna know my G's

Li I quit, things ain't the same no more

But I'ma do my thing 'til there ain't no more (yeah)

I got a plan, I wonder how far it can go

I demand the best for myself, that's all I know

I, done seen the world become

Products of a revolution that we begun (yeah)

Make me wanna split a swisher, I need me one

They keep on coping more deed than one

That's why I say ..

[Break - Timbaland]

I know you like my shoes, cause you walkin my shoes

And would you be prepared to see (would ya?)

A life full of money and a life full of girls

But a heart that's really in deed (feel my pain)

A lot of people yellin ("we love ya Timbaland")

But I know y'all really envy(ooo)

I don't know who's in my corner, don't know where is my corner

But I gotta grab onto Li

So I must ..

[Chorus - Wyclef Jean]

Hey, Timbaland you gotta hold on (hold on)

But you got to be strong

the pains almost over

(Timbaland: My pain almost over)

Look towards the sky, there's only one Jehovah

(Timbaland: I can't quit yet), you can't quit

You gotta hold on, you got to be strong

(Timbaland: Uh, my pain almost over)

Look towards the sky, there's only one Jehovah

[Verse 2 - Magoo] + (Wyclef Jean)

Pain, can't you see the pain in my eyes?

The lie behind my cries, don't you sympathize with me

You don't have to wonder when I come

You label me a bum, you think it ain't suprisin me (yeah)

Funny how boo got money, people come around

Soon as boo fail, kick 'em to the ground (yeah)

Not just neighbors, the whole damn town

Own flesh and blood, said I was a clown

But as the world turns, my life can too

And like a gun kills, a knife can too (yeah)

I was stabbed thrice, how 'bout you?

Once by my mom, pops the other two

Child abuse kid, ward of the state

I know it was the past, but I just can't shake

How you had a kid, beat me like a slave

I was only three, how could I misbehave?

I didn't know better, you could teach me first

You said fuck that, then you beat me worse

It's pain in this verse, hard to go on (yeah)

Boo is a man, so I must hold on

[Break - Timbaland]

I know you like my shoes, cause you walk in my shoes

And would you be prepared to see (would ya?)

(Wyclef: yeah)

A life full of money and a life full of girls

But a heart that's really in deed (full of pain)

A lot of people yellin ("we love ya Maganoo")

But I know y'all really envy(ooo)

I don't know who's in my corner, don't know where is my corner

(Wyclef: yeah)

But I gotta grab onto Li, uh huh

So I must ..

[Chorus - Wyclef Jean]

You gotta hold on (hold on)  
But you got to be strong  
the pains almost over  
(Timbaland: my pains almost over)  
Look towards the sky, there's only one Jehovah  
(Timbaland: I can't quit yet), can't quit

You gotta hold on (yeah)  
You got to be strong (yeah)  
(Timbaland: my pains almost over)  
Yeah, look towards the sky, there's only one Jehovah (yeah)

[Verse 3 - Wyclef Jean]  
Yeah, yo, I seen Brooklyn turn into Crook-lyn  
The youngn's they spend their life in central Crook-lyn (yeah)  
I've seen prom queens, turn into prom fiends  
Sometime I ask myself what happen to Dr. King's "Dream" (yeah)  
I've seen best friends, turn to enemies  
What made it sad, I had to sing at the eulogy  
So hard for us to say goodbye  
So I puff the lye and stay high (yeah)  
The man you said was your fam in the park (yeah)  
Saw your face spark when you found out he was a Narc (yeah)  
Cause everybody wanna be Nino Brown  
They wanna be Nino Brown, they wanna be Nino Brown (yeah)  
And the girls they love the Nino Brown  
They hug they Nino Brown, they lust for Nino Brown (yeah)  
And the fiends they want the Nino Brown  
The way he hold you down, when he comes around (yeah) (\*echo\*)

[Outro - Timbaland - talking]  
The pain never stops baby  
Li Li, I hope ya hear this  
Cause life will never be the same without you girl  
(Wyclef: yeah)  
Timbaland talkin to you  
(Wyclef: yeah, yo, yo)  
We ain't used to nothin  
This music industry, will never be the same without you  
Nothin but pain, hard struggle  
But me and Jimmy D, we're gonna keep ridin for ya  
Cause life must go on  
You must live on  
So we gotta hold on, c'mon

(Hold on) uh, (hold on)  
My pain almost over (hold on, hold on)  
I can't quit yet (hold on, hold on)  
My pain almost over (hold on, hold on)  
Nah Li Li, me and 'Goo we can't quit, OH!