

Teamwork?

Teamwork makes the dream work
Too bad mine are all crushed
I think I'll pass, got rushed
Found myself covered in shackles
Surrounded by a pack of jackals
Never played sports or worked as a team
Grew up with scammers, plotting a scheme
I never had anybody, just me, myself, and I
We stuck together, stayed close, it was ride or die.
Role models got drunk, picked fights
Bloody knuckles, broken teeth, punched out lights
So much pain, wish someone could take it
Reflection in the mirror, wish I could break it
Where did I go wrong?
Did I ever go right?
Has me reminiscing late at night...Teamwork

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Thank You FOR READING!

Below are some questions to reflect on from this piece. Feel free to also use one as a conversation starter with a fellow reader, or even a loved one on the outside!

What advice would you offer to William for dealing with these memories of loneliness and pain?

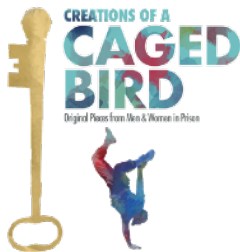
How do you cope with similar feelings of being without a caring team?

What are some places we can look to for genuinely thoughtful and helpful friends or team members--no matter how old we are, and no matter where we live?

We'd love to hear what you thought of the piece, or if you've had any meaningful conversations as a result. Or perhaps you'd like to share an expression of your own (visual art or creative writing). You are always welcome to write to us at Shining Light at P.O. Box 267, Annville, PA 17003.

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