

# I Smile

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[Intro:]

I dedicate this song to recession, depression and unemployment  
This song's for you

[Verse 1:]

Today's a new day, but there is no sunshine. Nothing but clouds, and it's dark in my heart and it feels like a cold night.

Today's a new day, but where are my blue skies. Where is the love and the joy that you promised me? Tell me it's alright, (I'll be honest with you),

I almost gave up, but a power that I can't explain. Fell from heaven like a shower  
(When I think how much better I'm gonna be when this is over)

[Chorus:]

I smile, even though I'm hurt, see I smile. I know God is working so I smile.

Even though I've been here for a while, I smile, Smile.

It's so hard to look up when you've been down. Sure would hate to see you give up now. You look so much better when you smile, so smile.

(Now every day ain't gon' be perfect.

But it still don't mean today don't have purpose. Come on)

[Verse 2:]

Today's a new day, but there is no sunshine. Nothing but clouds, and it's dark in my heart, and it feels like a cold night.

Today's a new day, tell me where are my blue skies. Where is the love and the joy that you promised me? Tell me it's alright. (The truth is)

I almost gave up, but a power that I can't explain. Fell from heaven like a shower

[Chorus:]

I smile. Even though I'm hurt, see, I smile I know God is working so I smile

Even though I've been here for a while. I smile. Smile.

It's so hard to look up when you've been down.

Sure would hate to see you give up now

You look so much better when you smile

[Bridge:]

Smile.. for me. Can you just smile... for me. Smile.. for me  
Can you just smile... for me

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you) [5 times]

(And while you're waiting)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

(And while you're praying)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

(Look in the mirror)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

(Always remember)

You look so much better when you smile

I almost gave up, but a power that I can't explain  
Fell from heaven like a shower

[Chorus:]

I smile. Even though I'm hurt, see, I smile. I know God is working so I smile

Even though I've been here for a while. I smile. Smile

It's so hard to look up when you've been down. Sure would hate to see you give up now. You look  
so much better when you smile.

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Oh, oh, oh (you look so much better when you)

Smile...

I don't want you you to just be happy. Because then you have to have something happening. I  
want you to have joy.

Because can't nobody take that from you. I see you.. SMILE!!