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Here is some information you might find interesting about the CD you just purchased:

Track #1 Walk In The Rain:

We all know life happens, right. Well, the concept of this song is sort of a quick fix mindset change to get you through the day. If you've ever taken a walk in the rain, you know that it can be quite annoying; the cold water repeatedly crashing into your face and on your head. Your clothes get wet and you get cold. It can be very uncomfortable. However, when you think about it, those discomforts won't cause you to lose your life. In the same way, sometimes life happens to us and we act like it's the end of the world when all we really need to do is just take our "temporary" walk in the rain – which could be a little fun at times.

Track #2 Tell It Like It Is:

Although there are many styles of music that I love to listen to, perform, and write, I think I will always have something to offer in the way of dance funk. This song offers that and more with a special little surprise in the middle from one of music's all time greats! It's a powerful fusion of two musical worlds that blend into a musical cocktail BOMB!

Track #3 Valentine:

We all have or have had something or someone special in our lives. Valentine is a special song written for a very special lady in my life. It was a valentine gift to my fiancé, Sandra. When I think of this song, I'm reminded of Anita Baker who said she never expected the song she wrote for her husband would be something that so many people love and enjoy listening to.

Track #4 Buenos Amigos:

Venturing out somewhat, I wrote this song and sang it in Spanish. One goal was to capture the true flavor of Tejano music so that it would blend in effortlessly with modern tejano music. Another was to allow my own musical character to ring through and not be lost. Judging by the response I've been getting, especially from los hombres y las tejanitas, I would say I accomplished those goals very nicely. This song is dedicated to the love of my life.

Track #5 Song For Kirk:

As a saxophone player, I have run into several other musicians who have had a profound influence on me musically. Kirk Whalum is one of those people. After studying and imitating his cassette taped music (back in the day), I decided I would try to write a song in the style that he would probably play. Although I cannot honestly say I captured it perfectly, I do think that what I learned from him as a sax player works very well in the song. Years ago, shortly after I wrote Song For Kirk, I called him at his home in California and asked if he needed material to perform and if I could send him my new song. Although he said yes to both, after hanging up I got really selfish thinking I would always hear the song on the radio and no one would appreciate what I had done to make it. That obviously was not the best move.

Track #6 Don't Say Goodbye

Imagine learning about a company that offers something you really really love and for years you dreamed of working there someday. Throughout the course of life, you somehow attain skills the company is looking for. Suddenly, out of nowhere, that long awaited opportunity to join their team presents itself and you actually get the job! How excited would you be? This song is a story I made up about my own belated success as an artist – singing somewhat of a love song to my huge audience of fans; our relationship is mutual and becomes official as you rip my songs into your music library. Because of this I will never say goodbye.