

Young, Gifted and Black

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Medium reggae

1. Young, gif-ted and black, Oh what a
love-ly pre-cious dream, — To be young, gif-ted and black. Open your
heart to what — I mean. — In the whole — world, you know, — there's a million
boys and girls — who are young, gif - ted and black; and that's a

Chords: C, (C) F (C), G, C F C, G, Am Dm, Em Am Dm C(E bass) G6

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fact! 2. Young, gif-ted and black! We must be - gin to tell—our young:

C G7sus G7 C G7 sus G7 C F C G

— "There's a world wait-ing for you, Yours is the quest—that's just — be-gun.— When you feel

C F C G

— real - ly low, Yeah, there's a great truth—you should know,— When you're young, gif-ted and black,

Am Dm Em Am Dm C(E bass) G6

1st time three times
2nd time once

Your "souls" in-tact!" 3. Young, gif-ted and black.— Oh how I

C G7sus G7 C G7 sus G7 C F C

long to know — the truth. — There are times when I look back And I am haun-

G C F C

— ted by — my youth, — Oh, but my joy — of to - day Is that

G Am Dm

To Coda

we can all be proud — to say "To be young, gif-ted and black, Is where it's at!"

Em Am Dm C(E bass) G6 ----- C G7sus G7

3 times **CODA** 6 times

at, Is where it's at!"

D. al Coda

C G7sus G7 C G7sus C G7sus C