Wishing All These Old Things Were New

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Watching while some old friends do a line Holding back the want to end my own addicted mind Wishin' it was still the thing even I could do Wishin' all these old things were new.

Watching while some young men go to jail
And they show it all on TV just to see somebody fail
And I guess there's not a single thing a man like me can do
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The kids don't want my cigarettes around
They say it's time that dad should lay tobacco down
But if I could start all over guess I'd still do what I do
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