## **Sleeping In Traffic**

## **Beardfish**

Waking up in panic
A room not hot or cold
Afraid to fall asleep again
My other side will unfold

I am on the edge of sanity
Far out in a hazy, troubled dream

I've scored the morning A crimson red thought Someone is struggling With the battles I've fought

Sleeping in the traffic Red lights turn to green Blinding painted white lines Moving in between

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Time and time over It's always the same Reckon you know me? Are you playing my game?

Me is my own worst enemy

In a room of frantic fools
Waiting for a juicy blues
I present my guitar song
Scratching strings with tones too long
They see of with tired eyes
Hidden coughs, 'he's full of lies!'
Cigarette smoke and black tar stains
Darkness feasts on my remains

Please save me

Out of darkness into light
Still there's no salvation in sight
Seven wishes, what's the first?
Seven wishes, quench your blood-thirst
Killing has no consequence
In a world that makes no sense
Blow the brain that brought this up
Blow the brain that thought this up

Please save me

Lady in the doorway
With a face that's so kind
Caressing smells
Twisting my mind
Magical evening, and
She's got the glow
And though she's got it all

She's giving it away...

Her eyes begin to glow
In the semi dark room
I move close and close my eyes
And welcome her lips to mine
She takes of her clothes
Let's them slide down her hips
Her body is glowing
And she's giving it away

In the bed I lie awake
There's one road for me to take
I must leave while there's still time
To find out this truth of mine

Sleep... I'm only sleeping
Notice that my eyes are open
Run... What am i running from?
The demons they can't catch me while I'm travelling
Dark... Dark, dark darkness
Fill me up and set me free
Sea... I smell ocean air
Sleeping in the presence of seagulls

In the misty morning fog the dock lies clear Salty smell of coral reeves appears this time of year From the depths of mother earth he comes again It's captain Flurry and his henchmen

In spite of his old crooked back and generous age
The beard, the pipe, his rusty sword, he's a cleptomanic sage man
He knows the difference to what we call right or wrong

And the hench-men sing in their old song 'Har har, we have sailed far From Norway to Peru Whatever captain Flurry says You must believe it is true'

He says that 'well you know, snow covers the igloos'
He tells me 'it's hot and dry in the Sahara desert'
The kings and queens has got it in for us
And I just missed the bus

I'm running away now, away from pirates and seagulls and the dock of the bay Reaching sweet perfumed city streets,  $\,$ 

scented by gasoline and neon lights in sweet cooperation

A guy wells: 'Hey!' but I can't stop, 'cause the rhythm has got me by the ba lls,

so to say. I'm sneaking into the backstreets and some sleazy 70's disco club  $\dots$ 

The ceiling is a sky of bright, shining disco lights
There's bee gees on the gramophone, they're singing 'ha ha ha ha
Staying alive', oh please, make me, take me through the night
But the laughter from her is an ocean of sleep to my restless soul
Tension leaves by her embrace and her breasts are warm, not cold
They're not cold at all

In reflection of some slim shade goggles I decide to ease my stoned head A punk stands in my freeway line

Taking up my precious time
His hair is dyed in the colour blue
Purple, green & yellow too
'Hello Dolly' on his lips
And Dixieland groove in his hips

He won't crack a smile for me
Won't be calm, he can't be, see
My arm is on the shoulder of
The woman his dream's dependant on
I have touched her deep inside
'Have I?' says I, I'm just passing by!
Say's he'll send me straight to hell
To teach me my lesson well

His lady's staring at me
She's glace eyed lover - concrete stone faced
Super sonic ultra bitch
She's tasting cocktails - 'which is which, ha ha ha?'

THE BITCH BREATHES FIRE
AND FIRE TAKES ME HIGHER THAN YOU (DO)

Sleep... I'm only sleeping
Dream... I'm only dreaming
Drink... I'm only driving

The punk is raising living hell
I decide to grow my shell
Run from here while i still can
'cause he has a gun in his hand oh no!
Shooting bullets where they hit
Or wherever they may fit
My stomach begins to ache a bit
And I collapse while thinking: 'shit'

THE GUN BREATHES FIRE
AND FIRE TAKES ME HIGHER THAN YOU (DO)

Falling through the fire
No constant speed left
Falling faster and faster
Do I really exist?
Am I on the verge of sanity?
In this hell of false humanity

The sheets are filled with angst
I once thought I'd escaped
But time after time, the pattern is the same
I get trapped in myself
And there's no way out of here
My mind is the maze that only I can face
That only I can face
That only I can face

Me is my own worst enemy  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Me}}$