Going Back / Going Home

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I'm not happy with myself these days I took the best parts of the script and I made them all cliche And this red bandanna is surely going to fade Even though it's the only thing the fire didn't take

Everybody says you'll grow a lot from this experience Maybe become Zen, after a while become a president Blessings get disguised sometimes but all I know Is I finally know the difference Between going back and going home

There's a lady on my block that has a kid As he swims in the above ground pool, she seals up the lid And he thinks it's kind of normal that she hides Up the cuts and all the bruises, she says it's warpaint for the eyes

She tells her son she did the best she could as she buries dad Maybe he'll grow up to be a man unlike his father did As I leave the driveway for the northern snow They'll finally know the difference Between going back and going home, yeah

Cut to a life being born in sixty nine Middle class suburbs, every thing's fine Fondue parties, my mom and my dads Drinks being drunk and fights being had

I lost my virginity to a girl in my band She was four years older, she made me a man So addicted to sex every chance that I got With whoever I wanted until I got caught

So I took my penicillin and I took my band To a town made of glitter girls and cocaine friends Got handed the dream by the age of eighteen Saw more than most people that I know had ever seen

Played every bar, drank till black and blue Did the morning show bullshit and went to China too Where they left us to die without a ticket to flee Inciting a riot, we were only twenty three

Packed it up, started over just as fast as we can Selling tapes, making merch in the back of a van Living hand to mouth for the next five years Took up drinking wine, gave up drinking beer

Signed another big deal with A Devil In A Dress A one hit wonder I think described it best Decided to burn out than to fade away Went back to the van the very next day

Built it up, made a living without any help

Made amazing friends if I say so myself If living like this at thirty eight is a bore Then come on god, please give me thirty eight more

Everybody knows I've seen a lot, yeah, I'm experienced Makes you feel so old after a while just like our president Every time I come back in this town I know I finally know the difference Between going back and going home Yeah, going back and going home