The Speed Of Soul

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I found her sleeping in a Kansas truck stop In the corner booth She'd been waiting there for months And that's the truth

She looked at me with wary eyes She'd heard all my lies She was not surprised She only looked at me And shook her head

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I'm gathering the crumbs and the stones
Been travelling faster than my soul can go

One subject line, one click away But at the end of the day I couldn't even say The things that I had done

So I spent the morning sweeping floors I didn't want much more
Than to do just one thing at a time
And call it mine

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Before songs were grooves and lines Caught in jars like fireflies The only place a song was held Soft or razor-sharp Was is in the heart

Mr. Gatling made a Gatling gun
He said it would end war
Who could send some mother's son through such a door?

But the bullets move at the speed of cold Drones do as they're told And the men go home at night and kiss the wife And watch TV And never see all those souls untethered floating out to sea

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