

Motherland

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Where in hell can you go, far from the things that you know
Far from this concrete sprawl that keeps crawling it's way
About a thousand miles a day

Take one last look behind, commit this to memory and mind
Don't miss this wasteland, this terrible place, when you leave
Keep your heart off your sleeve

Motherland cradle me, close my eyes lullaby me to sleep
Keep me safe, lie with me stay beside me don't go

My five and dime queen, tell me what have you seen
The lust and the avarice the bottomless cavernous greed
Is that what you see?

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It's your happiness I want most of all and for that I'd do anything at all
If you want the best of life and the most of love
If there is anything I can do at all

Come on shotgun bride, what makes me envy your life
The faceless the nameless the innocent the blameless and free
What's that like to be?

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Keep me safe lie with me stay beside me don't go
Don't you go