You are watching a programme for exactly an hour All of these hours they will add up to a day You will sit there till they're done but there are 24 To play There'll be rims around your eyelids by the 7th or the 8th But if you go to sleep tonight you will be older when You wake And you say one man is the parachute and the other is The knife that cuts the brake First we were born then we ran slowly out of luck You are still not Charles Bukowski and I am not Diane Cluck And I would suck the life from you if there was any Left to suck And I would love you if you told me there was something There to love I would marry you for money I would marry you for money I would marry you for money or for luck I would marry you for money but I don't suppose you'll Ever have enough Well the man on the screen he has done more in a minute Than you have achieved in your whole entire life When you finally realize I was the best thing you had In it We'll be closing up your eyelids on the bed or once you Die And I'll be sorry if it happens to you Sorry if it happens to you Sorry if it happens to you but I guess if one man is the cancer then his death is just The knife that makes the cut 24 for every year that we have slept Day by day into the neck of the abyss And I am 24 today I don't believe I'll sit Through another year of this while you are sewing up Your lips And I'll be sorry that you happened to me Sorry that you happened to me Sorry that you happened to me but They say that one man is the accident the other is the Hand that stops the blood And I am looking for the other one I'm looking for the Blade to make the cut Oh if one man is the accident I'm looking for a hand to Stop the blood

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