## The Dead Flag Blues (Intro)

## **Godspeed You! Black Emperor**

The car is on fire, and there's no driver at the wheel And the sewers are all muddied with a thousand lonely suicides And a dark wind blows

The government is corrupt And we're on so many drugs With the radio on and the curtains drawn

We're trapped in the belly of this horrible machine And the machine is bleeding to death

The sun has fallen down And the billboards are all leering And the flags are all dead at the top of their poles

It went like this:

The buildings tumbled in on themselves Mothers clutching babies Picked through the rubble And pulled out their hair

The skyline was beautiful on fire All twisted metal stretching upwards Everything washed in a thin orange haze

I said, "Kiss me, you're beautiful -These are truly the last days"

You grabbed my hand And we fell into it Like a daydream Or a fever

We woke up one morning and fell a little further down For sure it's the valley of death

I open up my wallet And it's full of blood