Kevin

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I seen pain, I felt the losses

Attended funerals and seen coffins 21 years old, an angel was lost here Wings clipped by the grip of 80 milligram sniffs of oxycontin Everyday through the nostrils Never went away, never does it stop there Death a line or two away and a couple tall cans Cause you never know when God is gonna call, man Precious, what we all share I said peace at 5:30, the next time that I saw him was in the hands of the p allbearer What if I would've never gone and dropped him off there? Blaming myself, in hysterics, screaming "It's not fair!" 21 years old with a book of rhymes he was gonna recite to the globe Only thing to numb the pain besides that shit in his nose He was gonna quit tomorrow, we're all gonna quit tomorrow Just get us through the weekend, and then Monday follows Then it's Wednesday, then it's "fuck it, I'm already feeling hollow" Might as well go crack a seal and might as well go chug a bottle Might as well go pop a pill and go and band-aid that problem And escape this world, vacate this world Cause I hate myself No praying's gonna cure this pain

[Leon Bridges:]

Doctor, please, give me a dose of the American Dream Put down the pen and look in my eyes
We're in the waiting room and something ain't right
All this is on you, we're overprescribed

For me and Kev

He went up in jail, institutions are dead And with our lives, we play Russian Roulette And try to find a life where we could be content Cause for us, we're just trying to minimize the fear of being alive And now my little brother is in the sky From a pill that a doctor prescribed That a drug deal a million dollar industry supplied And the cops never go and profile at night Yeah, the, the orange plastic with the white top they sell to you Has us looking for the answers and not instead of you Quick fix, whatever'll do We just gonna neglect the truth Because a doctor with a license played God and said it's cool Played God and said it's cool But me? I don't blame Kev or his mom freebasing while pregnant with him I blame the pharmacy companies And country that spends trillions fighting the war they supplying themselves

Public defenders and judges who fail

Politicians and business and jail

Look at Kevin, look at Kevin

Now he's wrapped in plastic

First dealer was his mom's medicine cabinet Got anxiety, better go and give him a Xanax Focus, give him Adderall, sleep, give him Ambien
'Til he's walking 'round the city looking like a mannequin
Ups and downs, shooting up prescriptions you're handing him
So America, is it really worth it? I'm asking you

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