After The Fire

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I heard a voice asking what happens after the fire And then the sound of a breaking window And the scream of a tire

And then the sound of a distant gun And the cry of a hungry child The night is hot but nothing is gonna stop This gang going wild

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I saw Matt Dillon in black and white There ain't no color in memories He rode his brother's Harley across the TV While I was laughing at Dom De Luise

Now I'm cycling all my video tapes And I'm crying and I'm joking I've gotta stop drinking, I've gotta stop thinking I've gotta stop smoking

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Raging through the pain Blackening the promises the tears and the rain The fire sill burn till the wind begins to turn And it all begins again

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