

# Buildings

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He was a husband who drove his wife home drunk from the parties  
He was a husband who drove his wife home  
And in the car he would gently lean her head on the side door window  
And in the bathroom he would hold her hair back and hope, saying;

They build buildings oh they build buildings oh they build buildings  
So tall these days

And in the morning she'd wake up and crouch recollections all day  
But she would always always wake up the next morning  
And he'd take one look at her a say baby that's ok  
And her conscience would issue yet another last warning, saying;

They build buildings oh they build buildings  
Oh they build buildings  
So tall these days

And she would ask for time  
And she'd ask for time  
And she would ask for time  
And she would beg for time,  
And she would beg for time  
And beg for time and call it a gift  
And he would give her time  
And he'd give her time  
And he would give her time  
And he'd give her time  
But time is not given and time is not taken  
It just sifts through its sift

And it was coffee and coffee and coffee  
And coffee and coffee and coffee some more  
He'd go to work and she'd take a sick day and rot at the core  
And by the time he came back  
She'd scrub the bathroom and make it smell like pine  
It would be almost as if nothing had happened  
And he'd give her time, saying;

They build buildings, oh they build buildings, oh they build buildings,  
Oh don't they build buildings, oh they build buildings,  
They build buildings so tall these days

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He was a husband drove time home pine scrub bathroom window  
Don't they build buildings so tall these days...  
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