

Eggshells

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She sleeps with the windows open
Yet she's still locked safe inside
And to block out the sounds of the city's commotion
She turns her fan up on high

Yea, she lives just far enough away from home
To see the whole scene
And down the street, the kids throw sticks and stones
And end up on the the TV screen
Yea, they throw their sticks and stones
And end up on the TV screen

And she used to walk on these gracefully
But now they crunch beneath her feet
I guess she must be changin'
There's just no way to keep it neat

And her father still barks like a soldier
Returning from victory
But now she's much older
And that bark isn't as scary as it used to be

Yea, she watches his self torture
No one left to abuse but himself
But still her memory scorches her
And she struggles to love herself
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And I guess she must be changin'
She never was too good at stayin' in her seat

And this town grows hungry and restless
Hungry for what, I ain't sure
But they're sweepin' the streets of the trash and the homeless
And raisin' the rent and breakin' the poor

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