

## Birth Ritual

Soundgarden

Lying like needles  
On forest earth  
Euphoric rush  
Trees bend to pray for us  
I'm sputtering  
Like cold machines  
Late for the birth ritual, ritual, ritual, ritual

You can drive my tail  
To watch the circus  
A birth ritual  
A birth of idiots  
Now I woke up blessed  
And good strives for heartache  
Marked for the death ritual, ritual, ritual

[Chorus:]

As you start the song  
And face this garden  
I light a cigarette before the execution  
Now you see your crime  
For every miracle  
Add another drug at every birth ritual

I took the drug  
To make me stay  
And now everything  
Dies in shyness  
The snake retreats  
Admits defeat  
And waits for the birth ritual, ritual, ritual

[Chorus]

Shining light  
Child's highs  
Mark his sides  
Bright until the newness wears off

[Chorus]

Ritual,  
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