

# The Artist in the Ambulance

Thrice

Late night, brakes lock, hear the tires squeal  
Red light, can't stop so I spin the wheel  
My world goes black before I feel an angel lift me up  
And I open bloodshot eyes into fluorescent white  
They flip the siren, hit the lights, close the doors and I am gone

Now I lay here owing my life to a stranger  
And I realize that empty words are not enough  
I'm left here with the question of just  
What have I to show except the promises I never kept?  
I lie here shaking on this bed, under the weight of my regrets

I hope that I will never let you down  
I know that this can be more than just flashing lights and sound

Look around and you'll see that at times it feels like no one really cares  
It gets me down but I'm still gonna try to do what's right, I know that there's  
A difference between sleight of hand, and giving everything you have  
There's a line drawn in the sand, I'm working up the will to cross it and

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Rhetoric can't raise the dead  
I'm sick of always talking when there's no change  
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I'm sick of empty words, let's lead and not follow

Late night, brakes lock, hear the tires squeal  
Red light, can't stop so I spin the wheel  
My world goes black before I feel an angel steal me from the  
Greedy jaws of death and chance, and pull me in with steady hands  
They've given me a second chance, the artist in the ambulance

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Can we pick you off the ground, more than flashing lights and sound