Sitting here in this dirty bar Watching the trash go by She's selling cigarettes and lollipops She's got a sparkle in her black eye

She says, "Maybe my time will come Maybe my time will come"

He said he'd sweep her off her feet Defying all of gravity Well she'd move to any bright city To fill this gaping cavity

She says, "I'm a slave to this empty life Diggin' my grave I'm his newspaper wife"

He must have a very small broom As she sits in this very large room Maybe it's just a piece of straw She says, "Why am I so in awe?"

I'm a slave to this empty life Diggin' my grave I'm his newspaper wife I'm ashamed of this meaningless life Diggin' my grave I'm his newspaper wife

She sits across from him drinking her coffee
His face is buried in other people's lives, she says
"I wonder if he's gonna read forever
Well I'm his newspaper wife"

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I'm a slave it's my own downfall
Diggin' my grave
I'm ashamed of this meaningless life
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Diggin' my grave I'm his newspaper wife I'm a slave it's my own downfall