There was a wonderful structure to the city And it put my cares to rest Ooh-ooh-ooh Ooh-ooh

Takin' inventory of his life
Seein' snapshots chronologically inline
Something told him he should look around and tidy up
He collected many things but never quite enough
Tried lookin' at it from a new perspective
Flat on his back but he still heard the directive
Orders from that corner where that shadow always lived
Never asked permission, he just hopes that they forgive

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At least let me clean my room
I don't want to leave like this (Ooh-ooh-ooh)
'Cause the last thing I want to do is
Make my people make decisions, wonderin' what to do, oh Should they keep it on display
Or redecorate?

Blankets over mirrors, she tends to like it
She's not afraid of her reflection
But of what she might see behind it
She had plans to change her name, yeah
Just not the traditional way, yeah
Haunted by a couple big mistakes
She covers all the dents with the way she decorates
Then one night she got cold with no blankets on her bed
So she ripped them off the mirror, stepped back and she said

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With the bells and the whistles scaled back
Like an isolated track
And he feels trapped when he's not inebriated
Fair to say he's fairly sedated most days of the week
He might have made it if he lived on a different street
I repeat, scaled back and isolated
He says he likes an open schedule, but he mostly hates it
If you're running to his room, take a breath before you break-in
Put your ear up to the door, tell me can you hear him saying?

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Ooh-ooh-ooh
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