

All Our Lives

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I saw this old friend at the Eveleigh Bar
They fed and treated him so well
A heart so cold and words so blue
In a body home from hell

He said "If I could tell you one thing I would tell you this
There's only one mistake that I have made
It's giving up the music in my fingertips
By trying to get to heaven through my veins."

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I watch you search beneath the falling skies
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You always walk before me
But you came back to warn me
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I saw this woman with tears in her eyes
Driving beside me yesterday
She turned her head then I turned mine
And I watched her drive away

I thought "If I could tell her something I would tell her this
There's only two mistakes that I have made
It's running from the people who could love me best
And trying to fix a world that I can't change."

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I remember being young and staring at my hands
In the middle of the night
The first light of the morning

A room like a church, voices down the hall
Barely made 'em out but sometimes you don't want to know

Now that I'm older I can tell you this
The mornings I miss but I don't really miss the voices

You've got a choice, I've got the hands
Skeleton and plans you've got to let them go

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