We all got big plans but nothing to do
Saturday afternoon couch surfin' the news
We get high to escape the new locals
What the tv shows ain't nothing
But a heartbreak on a dead-end road
We're all tired of the shit they're saying
We don't understand so we keep waiting
For our moment to shine
For a chance to make it right
For a reason to try

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All I want is somehow to make my folks proud
Thought it'd take a few months in a ten-year town
But it's hard and harder to pray and harder to say
I'm sorry but I'm workin' and I can't talk today
I'm so tired of the shit I'm saying
I don't like it but hell I keep on waiting
For a moment to shine
To make it all alright
To make 'em smile
I just wanna make 'em smile

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I just wanna make them smile
I'm so tired of the shit I'm saying
I just wanna mean something

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