

Bobby and the Rat-Kings

Counting Crows

I'm an elevator kid pushing buttons when I wanna go home
But my generation hasn't even got a name of its own
We just buy what the TV sells
And almost never stop wishing we were somebody else
But tonight in the dark
I can be myself

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Like we've never seen nuthin'
Like we'll we'll never see anybody ever again
When the Rat-Kings go away
We'll never be the same

Z tried to edit Reddit instead it said it had eaten her phone
She goes from tinder to cinder
Til she remembers she's a flame of her own
You can almost lose your heart
Hoping for something better til it tears you apart
While the days get longer and this night won't start

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Now Joey's gotta run for the train
Says he's trying to make it
Back to the City by ten
And Mike's on his bike with the motor running
I told him trains were running all night right then
In the moonlit town after the bridge fell down
There were fires and we lost some power
So we all dressed up for the ramble
And ran those streets long past the witching hour

I saw Dorothy in drag
Taking the Tin Man for a ride
And then Z the Cat said she knew where to go
Then she kissed me without a thought
And said "Sometimes memories are all that we got
So come on boy, let's make some at the show"

So there's some leather-wrapped Fender-strapped kid
With a pick-finger twitch
He's got a recipe for radio or rain
I don't know which

In the shadows when the lights are dowsed
The cinder kids flare while they twist and shout
We're the sparks in the dark
That'll never go out

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