33rd Of August

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Well, today there's no salvation The band's packed up and gone And I'm left standing with my penny in my hand

There's a big crowd at the station Where the blind man sings his song But he sees, Lord, what they can't understand

It's the 33rd of August, Lord And I'm finally coming down Eight days from Sunday Finds me Saturday bound

Once I stumbled through the darkness Fell down to my knees A thousand voices screaming in my brain

Woke up in a squad car Busted down for vagrancy And outside my cell, it sure as hell, it looked like rain

Now, I've got my dangerous feeling Under lock and chain I've killed my violent nature with a smile

Though the demons danced and sang their songs Within my fevered brain Not all my God-like thoughts, Lord, were defiled

Yesterday's newspaper forecast no rain for today Yesterday's news was old news So I threw it away

Some time's at night, Lord, you know I can still feel the pain And, outside my cell, it sure as hell, it looks like rain