Rome

Dessa

Take your fronts out
If you're talking to me
No VIP says VIP
I've known powerful women
And beautiful men
And none of em calling for bottle service settle down and settle in
Mind your manners make a friend
Motherfucker
Where you been? How you living? Have a drink
It's cash only
But the staff knows me
Tell em it's the girl in the back
Tab's open

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You want a standing desk
You get floating grave
They say pound of flesh
Ah, but then it's metric, wait
Hold up
Tryna get the glow up
Hope the bitcoin flip before the code rusts
Middle class: the poor man's poor man
Disappoint the kids, bringing home the store brand
Whole life with a stone against your shoulder
Tryna flip the symbol over
Get it equal to or more than
Chekhov says you got a gun, you gotta use it
Guess they're reading Chekhov downtown, in their cruisers
Bang – catch the case we all lose
Make Dixie look like Khartoum
That Lady Justice ain't blind yet
Lens cap on the body cam – missed again, damn
Make you wait
While they run your name and
St. Peter at the gate
Says, tuck your chain in

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It was the golden age before the firewall blew
Pictures pretty and the products all new
But then the data got bigger than the beta test who
'Da thought, after all, looks like the wire wore you
And I think beauty fucks us up
It's like sugar—in the natural world, we'd never get this much

So the appetite is bottomless
Call Maybelline Anonymous
Make narcissists of all of us
We never get enough
It's two-bit feminism
Only says you're better than
Some other bitch
That's digging the same ditch
One of us winning don't fix the damn system
Toes out, girls, back to second position
The natural order is value neutral
Culture institutes a few virtues
Capital comes and brings moral confusion
But do anything long enough
And the body gets used to it

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