

Confusion

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Funny, you swear you got nowhere special to go
But I know you will before too long
Because you're always there, standing there
Staring at the hole in the robe
Like it was a place somebody would go

Confusion is king the talk of your town
With the Hollywood design, knowing everyone
Would you cover mine?

You spoke softer than anybody I ever heard
Softer than the velvet in your hair, tying back
Black while you laugh at me, black as a bird
I live in a cage, and I could take you there

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Streets, I'm living with the pain
This is what you see always looking down

Hanging out, better off? Can't tell how to behave
With her on the stage I hear your song
With the animals painted in the dark on the walls of the cage
Pictures of the ones I guess you won't forget

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I don't know if you hear the meaning of the word
Maybe just yourself?

Little things trigger big problems
You can wipe out a stain
And maybe I destroy what makes you sad

If you're rid of so many minds
Buried that you never relay
Until your body's numb and it's all too bad

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I don't know how to speak it
I don't know how to help you
I'll just be around

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