

Subliminal

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I've been screaming let me know
How many somebodies have
Grown up subliminal
Keeping their heart
Turned off for years at a time
Living without a hope
Anchored at a hotel
How many days to go?

Love me at an arms length
Don't let me get too close
Never see the sun set
Spares you
Pain when it goes
You kept from the fire
Still you burn

Still your heart's burning up
I can tell it's obvious you're
Too afraid to fall in love
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Would you never
Know the secrets
Your heart keeps
In silence
In burning
In seasons
In love you believe, but

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I can see the bullet holes
You're bleeding out
While trying to keep it in control
Wanting to change me before you love me
Tell me what's easier—
Stitching up the wound
Or hoping the pressure holds

Tell me who you want now

Someone who's perfect? oh!
Afraid that I would
Mirror every flaw that's subliminal
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