24-Hour Store

The Handsome Family

Late, late at night 24-hour store
Ghosts fly up the aisles, across the shining floor Opening and closing automatic doors

Hands waving mirrors

Angels fly through lights

But the sleepless and lost push their squeaking carts

Down the rows of clothes and see nothing at all

No, no one hears the singing bones And no one sees the crying ghosts And everyone thinks I'm alone All alone

But under concrete And steel linoleum floors There is a fire that will never die A golden wheel inside the world

A golden wheel in plastic and bows
In particles of light that fall from the sun
A river of candles
Tumbling in the dark

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