

You Did Good Kid

The Hold Steady

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When your low serotonin's got you brittle and glitchy
And your friend from the null set isn't calling you back yet
And your opening bombs and you're a few beats up ahead of the laugh track

How you gonna talk about who's toxic or not?
You gonna pick thru the pills? You gonna call in the cops?
The comedian claimed that he forgot all his props
And the jokes don't really work well without them

We were sleeping on the shuttle on the way to the club
And the holy perception and the most precious blood
It flooded the ruts and it soaked the upholstery
The driver made us walk the remainder

She came around the corner with a diplomat's shake
And some kind of crystal container
Yeah, mutually assured destruction is oftentimes a no brainer

The drifters in the kitchen
Were thrashing thru the passion
Boys, let's try to keep it on the carpet
You wouldn't be so impressed with the sunrise
If it wasn't for the darkness

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But you settled for the first girl that said you were sweet
You bought a little house up on Sycamore Street
You hung around the money until they cut you a piece
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But the things they didn't tell you when you went off to work
How does it feel? Where does it hurt?
You can't see the wires when they're under his shirt
But they're taking down every single detail

He came into the club with the commemorative plates
A depiction of The Slaughter at Shiloh
The light in his eyes was diminished
But they announced his arrival

Once the assistant hitched us into the harness
The wolves all started acting kinda sheepish
Woke up in a bed with a spray painted mattress
Dripping wet with the emotional weakness

And every single moment gets abandoned and emptied
Every single speaker gets blown
And now you wanna go home

Oh dude. They made a movie starring you
Oh man. This wasn't what you planned

You fold your hands and you laugh at the jokes
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Oaks and acorns. Acorns and oaks
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Searching out another mouth in the smoke
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