

Just A Man

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It's a cold place, work to death 'til the loans paid
You drive to work and punch the clock and break your back for low wage
Weekends full of cocaine, get drunk 'til you don't know pain
Reminisce with your old friends by old times in the old days
Old flames all burnt out like a barbecue with no propane
Been a bumpy ride through a rough time, but you a tough guy, and you won't b
reak
Had enough nights full of blood and sweat, least you know how both taste
Had to cut ties in your love life 'cause your dumb fights left broke plates
Your bros changed, your folks aged, your own grave in close range
You so brave, you stone-face, there's no shame if you show pain
You bones ain't got no faith, so God lets you live your way
Go tell the bathroom mirror what you won't pray to your own face

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I ain't strong like a hurricane
I ain't as big as the bridge to Brooklyn
Just a man that my father raised

They can lock me up, they can beat me down
They can take my truck, they can take my house
Mama made me tough, I'ma make her proud
'Cause when life gets rough, I will stand my ground

It's desperate times, you rest your eyes, but you stress all night
So you don't sleep a second, just obsess and guess the next surprise
You can't relax you truck, are told the Chevy's just collecting fines
You swear that you can't take no more like every day's a fence to climb
You're human, solutions don't exist if you don't sketch designs
The blueprints you've been using built your truth on top a web of lies
Ruined by the sewage, you produce by not connecting lines
Excuses are like bruises that you get if you regret the fight
The bills you kept are swept aside, the person you elected lied
Investments were a lesson, you're in debt, and rent is getting high
You exercise to lessen all the stresses that affect your life
You did your best, you can't expect perfection, just accept you tried

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I can't jump a building, I'm not superman
Shoot me with a bullet and I'll die
Can't stop a locomotive with a single hand
Because I'm just a man, but I will try

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