We watched the spring undress
Into something new
We were the chimney smoke helpless
Disappearing from view
I recalled a boy in a porch swing
Realizing he would die
Fear will take a man's life, fear will take a man's life

I was grasping for a shadow Something already in my hand When I lost it in the water Reaching out for my own reflection We need something to change We need something to change

You said that man is but a breath
Hanging by his skin
The burning end of a cigarette
Time will take everything
And I recalled a boy in a dark wood
Stumbling on a precious pearl
The way the smoke and air curls, way the smoke and air curls

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My train will come, friends and family will gather round Our grandchildren playing out in the woods behind our house Next to our names carved in the side of a tree It's not what we take it's what we leave, it's what we leave It's what we leave, it's what we leave It's what we leave, it's what we leave It's what we leave, it's what we leave