Dust and Ashes

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Is this how I die?
Ridiculed and laughed at
Wearing clown shoes
Is this how I die?
Furious and reckless
Sick with booze
How did I live?

I taste every wasted minute

Every time I turned away

From the things that might have healed me

How long have I been sleeping?

Is this how I die?

Frightened like a child

Lazy and numb

Is this how I die?

Pretending and preposterous

And dumb

How did I live?

Was I kind enough and good enough?

Did I love enough?

Did I ever look up and see the moon and the stars and the sky? Oh, why have I been sleeping? They say we are asleep until we fall in love

We are children of dust and ashes

But when we fall in love we wake up

And we are a god and angels weep

But if I die here tonight,

I die in my sleep. All of my life I spent searching the words of poets and saints and prophets and kings Now at the end all I know that I've learned is that all that I know is I don't know a thing

So easy to close off

Place the blame outside

Hiding in my room at night

So terrified

All the things I could've been

But I never had the nerve

Life and love, I don't deserve

So alright!

Alright!

I've had my time

Close my eyes

Let the death bells chime!

Bury me in burgundy

I just don't care!

Nothing's left

I looked everywhere!

Is this how I die?

Was there ever any other way my life could be?

Is this how I die?

Such a slough of feelings inside of meBut then why am I screaming?

Why am I shaking?

Oh god, was there something that I missed?

Did I squander my divinity?

Was happiness within me the whole time? They say we are asleep until we fall in love

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But if I die here tonight,

I die in my sleep. They say we are asleep until we fall in love

And I'm so ready

To wake up now

I wanna wake up

Don't let me die while I'm like this

I wanna wake up

God, don't let me die while I'm like this

Please let me wake up now

God, don't let me die while I'm like this

I'm ready

I'm ready

To wake up

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