Flying Through the Smoke

New Model Army

Red dots - close my eyes - tunnel vision the cooling towers like Cathedrals Pitch black dark, brighter than the sun Less than zero, more than infinity Forever the graphics curling on the screen Forever the numbers counting on and on Flying through the smoke, flying through the smokeSee the body of people move across the floor Dancing turning wheeling in the spinning lights I remember the music and the noise so loud All I could see was you moving your mouth Tell me what was it you were trying to say Tell me what was it you were trying to say And all the time everything was moving away like a slo-mo shot as the camera pulls across the crowd across the faces caught in the last few seconds of life And you - like a ghost at the feast your eyes so small and dark and dead - you were uninvited And me - trying to remember how nobody saw you sitting next to me on the bus as it turned into Mainstreet and the bomb in the bag at your feet What was it you were trying to say Tell me what was it you were trying to say Flying through the smoke in a deafening roar Screaming in the panic as the whirlwind hits Tell me what was it you were trying to say Too late to listen now

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