

# 8MM

## Roberto Sironi

You'll never see me posing for a photo  
The flashbulbs got me washed out  
Digital stills, everyone looking like a criminal  
Nose a little crooked  
I hate my voice on playback  
But the kids in this city stay strapped  
Like every moment is a moment  
Hold it up with itchy trigger digits  
Gunslinger, one finger  
No consequence to figure with it  
You shoot enough odds are, you're going to catch a kill  
And ammo is unlimited  
Now that no one's copping film  
In the blue light of the bar  
We were looking like some movie stars  
Beautiful and out of place  
Hair falling around your face  
The memories weak, it carries weight like a dream  
Any imperfections more like variations on a theme  
My mind's eye's film is special ordered out of state  
Only shoot what you need  
No edits, just the tape  
The projector flashes like a whole life  
Reel to reel  
Watch it wind  
The only way to match the pictures of my mind

8 mm no sound  
And if you didn't know then, you know now  
  
And I was like "Hey, no rush"  
The sun's hiding like a thief on the Atlantic  
The early shifters and the late drinkers are up  
Shuffling down Bushwick like they're tired and out of practice  
Headline screams "Criminal"  
Papers read like a rap sheet  
In the big brick cage there's plenty of shade for a black sheep  
Hands together  
Waiting for something sacred

Like pigeons ain't much for a mascot, but fuck it, we'll take it  
Sleeping on a bench Kentucky bourbon on his breath  
Til the voices in his head are staying quiet  
This ain't no midnight train to Georgia  
No Johnny Cash  
No Porter  
But tonight the thunder on the tracks is silent  
Paint the scene in grainy mariachi  
Heroin and silver  
Nobody stays places like this  
They only pass through  
And the light out the tunnel  
Makes everything looks like it's washed away  
And everything looks brand new

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