

# 35 mph Town

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Mama locked the door last night  
For the first time in all of her years  
I said mama you gotta be kidding me  
She said things ain't like they used to be round here  
You just wouldn't believe it  
Kids growing up without Jesus  
Good thing your daddy ain't here to see this now  
They stay higher than the water tower  
In this thirty five mile an hour town  
She said it ain't the drugs, it ain't the booze  
I've had a backroad buzz or two, myself  
It seems like heaven is slipping further away  
The devil ain't got far to go when they raise hell  
We used to burn a hole through midnight  
Smoking a stolen Marlboro Light and on a good night  
Might kill a 5th of Crown but now  
There's a lower higher power  
In this thirty five mile an hour town  
Oh we can't blame the babies for growing up lazy  
And crazy it ain't them that let them down  
If they ain't stealing, they're suing  
Why work when we'll give it to 'em  
It's right there in the bible that we don't put out  
Spare the rod and you'll sour  
A thirty five mile an hour town  
The "yes mam's gone and the "please's too,  
It's out the door with the "thank you" in the evening  
You don't see a front yard football game  
The neighbor kids have done away with the shirt and skins  
No one hits the front porch lights  
To get the kids to come inside  
'Cause the streets ain't safe for a bike to ride down  
Since they planted a prowler  
In this thirty five mile an hour town  
No they're going nowhere fast tonight no matter  
How fast they drive this thirty five mile an hour  
Town

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