## The Artist In the Ambulance

## **Thrice**

Late night, brakes lock, hear the tires squeal
Red light, can't stop so I spin the wheel
My world goes black before I feel an angel lift me up
And I open bloodshot eyes into fluorescent white

They flip the siren, hit the lights, close the doors and I am goneNow I lay here owing my life to a stranger

And I realize that empty words are not enough

I'm left here with the question of just

What have I to show except the promises I never kept?

I lie here shaking on this bed, under the weight of my regretsI hope that I will never let you down I know that this can be more than just flashing lights and soundLook around and you'll see that at times it feels like no one really cares

It gets me down but I'm still gonna try to do what's right, I know that there's

A difference between sleight of hand and giving everything you have

There's a line drawn in the sand, I'm working up the will to cross it andI hope that I will never let you down
I know that this can be more than just flashing lights and soundRhetoric can't raise the dead

I'm sick of always talking when there's no change

Rhetoric can't raise the dead

I'm sick of empty words, let's lead and not followLate night, brakes lock, hear the tires squeal Red light, can't stop so I spin the wheel

My world goes black before I feel an angel steal me from the Greedy jaws of death and chance, and pull me in with steady hands

They've given me a second chance, the artist in the ambulanceI hope that I will never let you down I know that this can be more than just flashing lights and soundCan we pick you off the ground More than flashing lights and sound

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