

# As Tears Roll By

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I've been working downtown inside my troubles  
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I've been sleeping under the bridge of highway 1  
And I don't know who my savior is, as tears roll by  
Oh dear heart, I know it's been a long time  
And the pendulum swings so wide  
I've been wrestling with the burning spear  
With the burning spear  
Don't want to be like this another year, as tears roll by  
I could never see your perfect rainbow  
Avalanche buried me deep in the snow  
Murky smoke stack made me fall  
Cold ambition written on my wall  
I got mixed up and fell down  
I got mixed up as years roll by  
I could be a patriot if I could see  
But the TV talkin' man, make no sense to me  
And I don't know where our savior lives  
And I don't know where my savior is  
Building up, building down, as tears roll by  
Gotta keep my spirit out of trouble  
Keep myself out of trouble  
But the hands of need are calling me  
I feel mortality  
Tumble down, tumble down, as years roll by  
They were building a building like forever  
Heads buried deep inside a fever  
The spirit cried out from the ground  
Sweet, sweet maternal sounds  
Tumble, tumble, tumble down to the ground  
As fears roll by  
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