

Giving Up Everything

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Giving up everything
My hungry ghost of hopefulness
Giving up everything
Not haunted by wanting this Giving up everything
The fortune I was saving
Giving up everything
I mercy-killed my craving Giving up everything
I've opened up my eyes for this
Giving up everything
See the cold magnificent emptiness Give what I want for how it is
The stone inside and the bitterness
For sweetness at the core of it Giving up everything
The master plan, the scheming
Giving up everything
My cursed search for meaning Giving up everything
The compass and the map I was reading
The hinterlands I'm leaving
I'm finally leaving behind Giving up everything
The big to-do, the hullabaloo
Talk of hope for some twisted truth
For the everlasting ache of it No longer sleep, not chained to it
No gate, no guard, no keeper
No guru, master, teacher
See the slow, see the faces
Dissolve to black, no traces

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