Life's For The Living

Passenger

Well grey clouds wrapped round the town like elastic
Cars stood like toys made of Taiwanese plastic
The boy laughed at the spastic dancing around in the rain
While laundrettes cleaned clothes, high heals rub toes
Puddles splashed huddles of bus stop crows
Dressed in their suits and their boots
Well they all look the same

I took myself down to the cafe to find all
The boys lost in books and crackling vinyl
And carved out a poem above the urinal that read
Donâ€™t you cry for the lost
Smile for the living
Get what you need and give what youâ€™re given
Lifeâ€™s for the living so live it
Or youâ€™re better off dead

While the evening pulled the moon out of itâ€™s packet
Stars shone like buttons on an old manâ€™s jacket
We needed a nail but we tacked it â€™til it fell of the wall

While pigeonâ€™s pecked trains, sparks flew like planes
The rain showed the rainbows in the oil stains
And we all had new iPhone's but no one had no one to call

And I stumbled down to the stomach of the town
Where the widow takes memories to slowly drown
With a hand to the sky and a mist in her eye she said
Donâ€™t you cry for the lost
Smile for the living
Get what you need and give what youâ€™re given
Lifeâ€™s for the living so live it
Or youâ€™re better off dead

Well Iâ€™m sick of this town, this blind manâ€™s forage
They take your dreams down and stick them in storage
You can have them back son when youâ€™ve paid off
Your mortgage and loans
Oh hell with this place, Iâ€™ll go it my own way
Iâ€™ll stick out my thumb and I trudge down the highway

Someday someone must be going my way home

Till then Iâ€™ll make my bed from a disused car
With a mattress of leaves and a blanket of stars
And Iâ€™ll stitch the words into my heart with a needle and thread
Donâ€™t you cry for the lost
Smile for the living
Get what you need and give what youâ€™re given
You know lifeâ€™s for the living so live it
Or youâ€™re better off dead

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