

Blood Ruby, Sleepwalk

He works, he sleeps
He knows his history
He reads, he dreams
So much ability

He drives Northwest
Up the interstate
The snow falls slow
Hypnotic and opaque

Bright with life,
He leaves behind
Endless days
And longer nights
His eyes are wide,
His ears are numb
Filled with pulsating
Engine hum

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Through the places
And the pleasures of the ride
(Take it all in)
Don't skim through the pages
Of the ponderous volume
That describes your life
(Don't miss a word)
Some seek distraction
Just to pass the time,
Not entertain
We sometimes sleepwalk
Sacrificing joy to numb the pain

I saw the scene
I didn't want to see
Steel, glass, debris
Stranger, rest in peace

How could he know
When he awoke
That this was the day
His book would close?
Have you thrived
Or just survived
If this were the day
You said goodbye?

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