Marillion, Blind Curve / Misplaced Childhood

1. Vocal Under A Bloodlight

Last night you said I was cold, untouchable

A lonely piece of action from another town

I just want to be free, I'm happy to be lonely

Can't you stay away?

Just leave me alone with my thoughts

Just a runaway, just a runaway

I'm saving myself

2. Passing Strangers

Strung out below a necklace of carnival lights

Cold moan, held on the crest of the night

I'm too tired to fight.

So now we're passing strangers, at single tables

Still trying to get over

Still trying to write love songs for passing strangers

All those passing strangers

And the twinkling lies, all those twinkling lies

Sparkle with the wet ink on the paper

3. Mylo

Oh I remember Toronto when Mylo went down

And we sat and cried on the phone

I never felt so alone

He was the first of our own

Some of us go down in a blaze of obscurity

Some of us go down in a haze of publicity

The price of infamy, the edge of insanity

Another Holiday Inn, another temporary home

And an interviewer threatened me with a microphone

'Talk to me, won't you tell me your stories."

So I talked about conscience and I talked about pain

And he looked out the window and it started to rain

I thought maybe I've already gone crazy

So I reached for a bottle and he reached for the door

And I picked up the sleeping pills crushed on the floor

Inviting me to a casual obscenity.

4. Perimeter Walk

It would be incredible if we could

Retrace all the times that we lived here

All the collisions

Wasted, I've never been so wasted

I've never been this far out before

Perimeter walk

There's a presence here

I feel could have been ancient,

I could have been mystical

There's a presence

A child, my child

My childhood, a misplaced childhood

Give it back to me, give it back to me

A childhood, that childhood

Oh please give it back to me.

5. Threshold

I saw a war widow in a launderette

Washing the memories from her husband's clothes

She had medals pinned to a threadbare greatcoat

A lump in her throat with cemetery eyes

I see convoys curbcrawling West German Autobahns

Trying to pick up a war

They're going to even the score

Oh... I can't take any more

I see black flags on factories

Soup ladies poised on the lips of the poor

I see children with vacant stares, destined for rape in the alleyways

Does anybody care, I can't take any more!

Should we say goodbye?
I see priests, politicians?
Heroes in black plastic body-bags under nations' flags
I see children pleading with outstretched hands
Drenched in napalm, this is no Vietnam
I can't take any more, should we say goodbye
How can we justify?
They call us civilised!
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