THIS HIGHER PLACE

The sky shed rays of gold over the bleached out city lights We rang ribbons through the quiet as we cycled through the night Out through suburban silence to a lake all draped in flames With angels bursting from the bronze and calling out our names

Singing songs of salvaged innocence I hung on every line
There was heartache in these words but it wasn't mine

My baby takes me to this higher place my heart it breaks when I think we were nearly over so babe let's play it straight I want you I'm going crazy It's just where my baby takes me

Lost boys on the riverbank
howling drunken battle cries
throwing bottles in the water
make fading rainbows where they lie
You exposed my breaking song tonight
it's some cosmic lullaby
That climbs up out the window
to the angels and fireflies

And in my private hell my prison cell of cast iron fear you're the moon shining through the bars lifts me up to the stratosphere

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