

Skid Row (Downtown)

Company

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Alarm goes off at seven

And you start uptown

You put in your eight hours

For the powers that have always been

Till it's five P.M

Then You go

Downtown

Where the folks are broke

Downtown

Where your life's a joke

Downtown

When you buy your token

You go

Home to skid row

Yes, you go

Downtown

Where the cabs don't stop

Downtown

Where the food is slop

Downtown

Where the hop-heads flop

In the snow

Down on Skid Row

Uptown you cater to a million jerks

Uptown you're messengers and

Mailroom clerks

Eating all your lunches at the

Hot dog carts

The bosses take your money

And they break your hearts

Uptown you cater to a million whores

You disinfect terrazzo on their

Bathroom floors

Your morning's tribulation

Afternoon's a curse

And five o'clock is even worse

That's when you go

Downtown

Where the guys are drips

Downtown

Where they rip your slips

Downtown

Where relationships are no go

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Poor! All my life I've always been poor

I keep asking God what I'm for

And he tells me "Gee, I'm not sure

Sweep that floor, kid."

Oh, I started life as an orphan

A child of the street

Here on skid row

He took me in, gave me shelter, a bed

Crust of bread and a job

Treats me like dirt, calls me a slob

Which I am

So I live

Downtown

That's your home address

Ya live Downtown

When your life's a mess

Ya live Downtown

Where depression's just

Status Quo

Down on skid row

Someone show me a way to get

Outta here

'Cause I constantly pray I'll get

Outta here

Please, won't somebody say I'll get

Outta here

Someone gimme my shot or I'll

Rot here

Downtown

There's no rules for us

Downtown

'Cause it's dangerous

Downtown

Where the rainbow's jus a no-show

Downtown

Where the sun don't shine

Downtown

Past the bottom line

Downtown

Go ask any wino, he'll know

I'll do I dunno what to get outta skid

Downtown

But a hell of a lot to get outta skid

Downtown

People tell me there's not a way outta skid

Downtown

But believe me I gotta get outta skid

Row

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