

Dream Theater

"Nightmare To Remember"

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A nightmare to remember, I'd never be the same
What began as laughter so soon would turn to pain
The sky was clear and frigid, the air was thick and still
Now I'm not one to soon forget and I bet I never will

Picture for a moment the perfect irony
A flawless new beginning eclipsed by tragedy
The uninvited stranger started dancing on his own
So we said goodbye to the glowing bride
And we made our way back home

Life was so simple then, we were so innocent
Father and mother holding each other

Without warning out of nowhere
Like a bullet from the night
Crushing glass, rubber and steel
Scorching fire, glowing light

Screams of terror, pain of fear
Sound of sirens, smoke in my eyes
Sudden stillness, blackened silence
No more screaming, no more cries

Stunned and bewildered, cold and afraid
Torn up and broken, frightened and dazed
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Lying on the table in this unfamiliar place
I'm greeted by a stranger, a man without a face
He said, "Son, do you remember? Do you even know
your name?"
Then he shined a light into my eyes
And said, "Take this for the pain"

Hopelessly drifting, bathing in beautiful agony
I am endlessly falling lost in this wonderful misery
In peaceful sedation I lay half awake
And all of the panic inside starts to fade
Hopelessly drifting, bathing in beautiful agony

"Tell me does this hurt you?", said the faceless man
Can you move all of your fingers? Can you try your best
to stand?
I asked about the others, is everyone okay?
He told me not to worry as he turned and looked away

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Day after day and night after night
Replaying the events, did they ever see the red light?
Over and over, scene by scene
Like a reoccurring nightmare haunting my dreams

How can you prepare for what would happened next?
No son should ever have to see his father such a mess
It's a miracle he lived, it's a blessing no one died
By the grace of God above everyone survived

Life was so simple then, we were so innocent
It will stay with us forever, a nightmare to remember
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