

## **Jawbox**

# **"PAINT OUT THE LIGHT"**

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you paint walls and  
buildings so tall -  
sunlight never reaches the earth.  
a birth, as the paint covers cracks  
and stains, and nothing remains.  
but a new face so pale and white -  
sunlight makes it shrink,  
and think that maybe the womb  
sings a better tune,  
the mind-bending heat of blistering streets  
and air so polluted,  
that every breath is a curse.  
you paint walls and buildings so tall  
that sunlight never reaches earth.  
but the sound of crying still  
will reach your ears.

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