

## Jim Capaldi

### "Falling Down Laughing"

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He was feeling invulnerable  
That was foolish but wonderful  
But of course the first one was always free  
Hes got one wrist in heaven, one ankle in hell  
Somebody pushed or he just fell  
Hes riding the subway watching the lights play  
Red yellow green he's always somewhere in between  
The station he wants, the station he needs,  
And the station where the chickenhawks come to feed

Refrain:

Since the worm turned he's learned  
This apples a blood-filled tear  
And he falls down laughing, he falls down laughing  
He falls down and he disappears

First he tried to be pure now he just wants a cure  
Hes wasted, his skins sore, he's flat-out poor  
When you live in doubt that's when your luck runs out  
Hes on the roof alone, outside the zone  
Now he's on the street again when he calls him then  
Billy just cannot resist  
Now he's an orphan sleeping with the coffins  
Just like oliver twist

Well since the worm turned . . .

Billys tired of the lies, he's turning every fire  
Looking for his own past  
Hes limping in the water searching for the quarter  
Inch of clarity  
His future is raining blood like stars  
Hes fallen so far behind  
He might as well be blind

Watching late-night film noir inside of stolen cars  
His tongue stuck frozen to the monkey bars  
His ladder lost it's rungs, billy speaks in tongues  
Every time he's in the clear his past looks back and  
sneers

But since the worm turned . . .

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