

Kevin Coyne**"Ballgame"**

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A good man doesn't drink
And I've been drinking alone
So what does that make me?

My hands they always shake
And no one's calling my phone
So what does that make me?

And I know the kid with his guitar
So drunk and anxious
Has been done to death
But tell me what hasn't
I'll try it

Because I'm selfish enough
To wanna get better
But I'm backwards enough
Not to take any steps to get there

And when you realize it's a pattern
And not a phase
It's what you've become
And it's what you will stay
That's ballgame

'Cause I don't got room in my life
For anyone else
And I've driven away all the
People that could help
And I still don't even know what I
Need to do to fix myself

And there's a clamp around my chest
It tightens every time I lapse into
Another sorry story

About my miserable collapse
A bronze box I keep encased in glass
And dust off whenever I want your pity

'Cause lately I've had to come to grips

With scope and figure
How my problems stack up in a world
Two steps from ruin
(Or maybe it's rapture)

Well, either way, I realize that my shit's
About as small as it could be
But that makes me feel worse for even feeling
This bad in the first place

'Cause there's a war starting soon, and all
The flags'll be waving
And Daniel's 20-year-old friend will be ready,
And willing, and waiting
He's a Marine and he told me

And that makes me sad
Really, really fucking sad
But at least he'll act

I'll just bite my tongue and then say:
"Daniel, you wish him luck"
I pray that he comes back
For his mother's sake, and then I'll drink
Those thoughts away
I've gotten good at that

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Oh oh oh

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