

Okkervil River "A Hand To Take Hold Of The Scene"

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I'm the band in a show
?Bout a man holding hands with his wife
On a therapist couch with his face to the ground
After fucking around countless nights

And there's this one episode
Close-up cameras were showing him crying
His red head and his red eyes

I'm the band in a show
?Bout a boy being buried alive
From his head to his toes by a criminal
But with a sensitive soul, with a set of raccoon eyes

And there's this scene in the show
When a hustler knows he's gonna die
The ground opens and he climbs inside

And as he speaks his last line
A thought falls from his mind
And I pick it up and write it through the TV
Oh, oh, is there a hand to take hold of the scene?

I'm a man in a dream
And they're dancing in front of my eyes
Is the queen informed of the flaws
With the eyes all got odd and rumped into her spine

She rises up like a young group from a heart
Like a claw splits apart like a jaw, like an eye
And she asks me with a sigh

We were so far from right
We were using the fight
We were letting the light weaken it's beam
Oh, oh, is there a hand to take hold of the scene?

I wanted to smile like a glistening shot of a kiss
That's as sharp as a knife, the day expires
In the dry, cracked, trembling lips [Incomprehensible]
But this gets inside
I lift them up to you, I'd like to bear witness to

Our life that is fine
And is filling the cryingest eyes
Gracing each face that is making the waste
That is broken as one's fairly fly

Love that is in us
Of that ol' cynical covetest, cancerous vibe
And a beauty that annihilates all life

Like it's lived in these nights, holding your hatred tight
Like a sign that should [Incomprehensible] you strong
When the doors are shut tight, I will dream you tonight
And my dream will just sweep you along

When all the fires are fanned
We'll shout you our plans
We're too weak to stand on our two feet
Oh, oh, is there a hand to take hold of the scene?

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