## Alexipharmic "Awkward Clockwork"

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Trapped in a philosophical box - I wonder how I got lost Dirt, dust, grime through the past brushed off Memories - one by one - Fall like Niagara in my mind I sit in the present, the sand trickles through time It's inherently flawed, my perception of benevolence Enveloped and engulfed self-constructed hesitance It's evident the clock doesn't stop at my pleads Forever instilling insecurity, never mindful of my needs Interjections replacing, the never-ending cycle built Draping over reality, enveloped time like a quilt No choice, march forward - charge through it full tilt Nothing can fulfill the unavoidable guilt I'm forcing sand back in the glass, I can't prevent the cracks

Seems to split at the seams, there's no way I'm getting past that

## Chorus:

I looked back at the clock, asked its hands to turn back And it just smiled, empathetically, recalling all who've asked to have that (4x)

Now an actor in a play, supporting my own laugh track A reality show for the audience to gasp at An archaeologist employed, uncovered remains At the end of the day nothing changes, but stays the same

Where what I'm left with are fractured, shattered shards of my memory

Reconstructing past events by stories of what people tell me

As I uncover gravesites of some truths that I hold Debating whether to dig or if some tombs are better left closed

Lo and Behold! I further reach the epiphany
The present is gone and turned the future to history
To remember me takes patience one must sift through
the shoulds

And the coulds, to realize - if possible I would Write my autobiography at the end when time's done And write it backwards to the genesis, beginning, chapter one

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