

**Ric Ocasek****"This Side Of Paradise"**

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The midnight oyster bellies bug you  
From inside you want to scream  
The comic cut is your arrival  
Your reflections are obscene

Well you're looking for another end  
Doing time  
But you still can't turn away  
Well you're looking for a real friend  
Any kind  
That wants to play the games you play

On this side of paradise  
You're never going to go through twice  
Stay tuned at any price  
To this side of paradise

Cylinder dreams passing in stages  
Lethargic grins left to bare  
Broadway windows cubical cages  
Where escape is fairly rare

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You've got to keep yourself well amused  
Pay no attention to the faulty news  
Set yourself on automatic cruise  
Sometimes you just got to lose

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