

Sonic Youth

"In The Kingdom #19"

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[lee]

They were

Aaaah

He did what he had to do

He asked no questions

He had few conversations

The tar glistens in the noon heat

He tread across the grass, up onto, and down off of,
the concrete abutments

Mirage on the highway

Ghosts in the tunnel

The dark cave

Out into the blinding light of day at breakneck speed

Every bolt rumbling

Glistening highway mirage groans

The slick surface

Careening into first the small mammal, and then
screeching along the guard

Rail, scraping paint and throwing sparks like sheets of
pure terror for

400 yards

Over and over

With one final back and forth rocking motion coming to
rest

Wheeehah

The beautiful paintjob hopelessly marred

Smoke and flames

Allright

So nice

He moved to the small creature

Screeching whistles of steam blowing off

On it's back, wheels spinning like a cinema classic

The door sags open and a man covered in blood drops
the three feet or so to

The pavement
The car still rattling and shaking as if with a mind of it's
own, unwilling
To die
The man, 40ish, also after a time, an agonisingly
painful period of time

Is also unwilling to die

Suddenly all is quite quiet there in the sunlight on the
highway
But what? what can I do?
I cannot move, everything is about broken
Blood everywhere, mixing with oil and gas
What's moving, must turn my head
Pain, white light, blinded
Some guy there kneeling in the blinded mirage of white
light
All my strength to 'heeeeeelp'
Screaming now help me please
He tried to tamp out the bit of burning ember which had
lept from the wreck
Onto his grimy coatsleeve
Coughing blood
What's happen?
He's he's inching towards truth
He strode of into the woods with the animal
It still lived
He didn't glance back at all

Still out ghosting the road
Death on the highway
Words crumble around me and fall with the weight of
heaven
I cannot move
I'm beneath the great weight
I cannot see
My eyes are blinded
I am in the darkness

That's it

{very low in the mix}
In panic I forget it
In despair I need it
In my mind I save it
In death I have it
{then a bit louder}
In panic I forget it
In despair I need it

I shouldn't laugh
Hah hah hah
Yeah really
Oh

In panic I forget it
In despair I need it
In my mind I save it
In death I have it
[thurston?]
Never gave a damn about the meterman
I was the man who had to read the meters, man

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