

## Hold Steady, The "Hot Soft Light"

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i was not involved at the northtown mall.  
as a matter of fact i didnt even know that's where it  
happened.

i was france ave when they came out dancing.  
i was lyndale south. i was kicking it with cousins.  
we were talking about going clubbing.  
instead we just started drinking.

i've been straight since the cinco de mayo.  
before that i was blotto.  
i was blacked out. i was cracked out.  
i was caved in.  
you should have seen all these portals  
that i've powered up in.

we started recreational.  
it ended kinda medical.  
it came on hot and soft and then  
it tightened up its tentacles.

i wasnt there  
i was blind high. i was scared.  
i was lake and columbus.  
i was cutting off all my hair.  
i was unfurling a flag of defiance  
aimed at my guidance guy.

so this is it.  
this is the end of the session.  
i ain't gonna be taking any more questions.  
i think my attorney's gonna second that notion.

it started recreational.  
it ended kinda medical.  
it came on hot and soft and then  
it tightened up its tentacles.  
the band played screaming for vengeance  
and we agreed. this world is mostly manacled.  
it started ice cream social nice.  
it ended up all white and ecumenical.

there are guys  
with wild eyes when they ask to get you high.  
there are girls  
that will come to you with comfort in the night.  
thats right.

we started recreational.  
it ended up all medical.  
it came on hot and soft and then  
it tightened up its tentacles.  
the band played sabbath bloody sabbath  
you thought it was stoney and adorable.  
it started in the vestibule.  
it ended in the hospital.

there are guys  
with the wild eyes when they ask to get you high.  
there are girls  
that will come to you with comfort in the night.  
there are nights  
where it all comes on a little bit too bright.  
there's a cross  
and in the center there is a hot soft light.

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