White Picket Fence

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Mother come quick the doctor is sick lying there on the street Circus Performers they all tried to warn us of the blistering heat And there aint no water so what is the bother with trying to drink What's the new plan when your medicine man has gone too dead to think And I saw you looking out, I saw you looking at me (repeat) And that white picket fence that you had as a kid It aint white anymore and the wood has gone bad The streets are all empty, the stores have been picked clean, and the lights are all out the doors are all closed, and the windows all broken, and the buildings torn down And the dogs own the night but they all lost their bite and they're too tired to growl We tried throwing stones but you can't stop the moans of that hovering crowd I saw you crying out, I saw you crying at night (repeat) And that white picket fence that you used to have It aint white anymore and the paint has gone bad Well the drugs have worn off and there's blood in your cough and your starting to turn And the angels will rise as we blankly stare at their growing concern And the preacher still preaches from outside the steeple saying when will they learn But the congregations gone they're on the church lawn and they're watching it burn I saw you screaming out, I saw you screaming out (repeat) And that white picket fence that you had when you were young It aint white anymore and the damage has been done You're too sick to scream and the last of your dreams they got taken last night And they're growing impatient now all of the nations are starting to fight And the mothers are crying, the children are dying, and you're losing your sight Yeah and it won't be long now, we'll all be gone, walking into the light I saw you reaching out, I saw you reaching for me (repeat) And that white picket fence that you had as a kid It aint shining anymore and it never ever did

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