

# Dream Theater, A Nightmare to Remember

A nightmare to remember  
I'd never be the same  
What began as laughter  
So soon would turn to pain  
The sky was clear and frigid  
The air was thick and still  
Now I'm not one to soon forget  
And I bet I never will  
Picture for a moment  
The perfect irony  
A flawless new beginning  
Eclipsed by tragedy  
The uninvited Stranger  
Strated dancing on his own  
So we said goodbye to the glowing bride  
And we made our way back home  
Life was so simple then  
We were so innocent  
Father and mother  
Holding each other  
Without warning  
Out of nowhere  
Like a bullet  
From the night  
Crashing glass  
Rubber and steel  
Scorching fire  
Glowing lights  
Screams of terror  
Pain and fear  
Sounds of sirens  
Smoke in my eyes  
Sudden stillness  
Wrapped in silence  
No more screaming  
No more cries  
Stunned and bewildered  
Cold and afraid  
Torn up and broken  
Frightened and dazed  
Stunned and bewildered  
Cold and afraid  
Torn up and broken  
Frightened and dazed  
Lying on the table  
In this unfamilliar place  
I'm greeted by a stranger  
A man without a face  
He said "Son do you remember?  
Do you even know your name?"  
Then he shined a light into my eyes  
and said "Take this for the pain"  
Hopelessly drifting  
Bathing in beautiful agony  
I am endlessly falling  
Lost in this wonderful misery  
In peaceful sedation I lay half awake  
And thought of the panic inside starts to fade  
Hopelessly drifting  
Bathing in beautiful agony  
"Tell me does this hurt you?"  
Said the faceless man  
"Can you move all of your fingers?  
Can you try your best to stand?"

I asked about the others  
&quot;Is everyone okay?&quot;  
He told me not to worry  
As he turns and looked away  
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Bathing in beautiful agony  
I am endlessly falling  
Lost in this wonderful misery  
In peaceful sedation I lay half awake  
And thought of the panic inside starts to fade  
Hopelessly drifting  
Bathing in beautiful agony  
Day after day  
And night after night  
We burden the oppressed  
Did they ever see the red light?  
Over and over  
Scene by scene  
Like a recurring nightmare  
Haunting my dreams  
How can you prepare  
For what happens next?  
The search you'll never have to see  
His father's such a mess  
It's a miracle he lived  
It's a blessing no one died  
By the grace of God above  
Everyone survived  
Life was so simple then  
We were so innocent  
It will stay with us forever  
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