

## sacrifice

I go to sleep alone every night  
and wake up every morning  
with every bad decision  
I ever made.

I wake up with every misstep  
every lost opportunity  
every time I dug in my heels  
    wrong or right  
    and wouldn't budge  
and every time I wasn't there  
    wrong or right  
    for someone else.

I watch my skin turn to paper  
    and my hands to dust  
the sun goes  
    up and down  
    up and down  
faster and faster across the sky  
everyone and everything  
is older than I think.

we all sacrifice ourselves  
    and our lives  
    to something  
there's no avoiding it  
that's the deal  
that's the bargain  
that's the way life works  
    like it or not.

but do we really know  
    what we're sacrificing ourselves to  
do we really understand  
    why we're doing it  
    what it's gonna take  
    what we're gonna get  
and what it's gonna cost us.

I used to wonder  
why I was alone  
but now I know.

I put truth  
above all else  
and now truth  
is all I have.

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