Motherland
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[Verse]

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            C#   C#sus2   C#
Where in hell can you go
B                       F#
Far from the things you know
B                         F#
Far from the sprawl of concrete
            C# C#sus2 C#                          Ebm
That keeps crawling its way    about a 1,000 miles a day
            C# C#sus2 C#
Take one last look behind
B                       F#
Commit this to memory and mind
B                           F#
Don t miss this wasteland, this terrible place
       C#   C#sus2 C#                          Ebm
When you leave    keep your heart off your sleeve
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[Chorus]

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   F#            C#   C#sus2 C#
Motherland  cradle me
         B
Close my eyes
              F#
Lullaby me to sleep
      B
Keep me safe
           F#
Lie with me

Stay beside me
      C# C#sus2 C#
Don t go
           Ebm
Don t you go
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[Verse]

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Ebm                     C#    C#sus2 C#
Oh, my five and dime queen
B                       F#
Tell me what have you seen
      B
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The lust and the avarice
     F#                              C#   C#sus2 C#
The bottomless, the cavernous greed
                        Ebm
Is that what you see?


[Chorus]

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Close my eyes
              F#
Lullaby me to sleep
       B
Keep me safe
            F#
Lie with me

Stay beside me
      C# C#sus2 C#
Don t go
            Ebm
Don t you go


[Bridge]

          B
It s your happiness
        F#
I want most of all
          B           G#            C#
And for that I d do anything at all
   C#sus2    C#
Oh, mercy me!
                   B
If you want the best of it
        F#
Or the most of all
            B       G#            C#   C#sus2 C#
If there s anything I can do at all
 B F# B G# C# C#sus2 C#   Ebm


Ebm                      C# C#sus2 C#
Now come on shot gun bride
B                           F#
What makes me envy your life
B
Faceless, nameless
F#
Innocent, blameless
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      C#    C#sus2 C#
And free
                    Ebm
What s it like to be?


[Chorus]

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          B
Close my eyes
              F#
Lullaby me to sleep
     B
Keep me safe
          F#
Lie with me

Stay beside me
      C# C#sus2 C#
Don t go
      C# C#sus2 C#      Ebm
Don t go

   (Ebm)4 times for intro, and beginnings and endings of verses:
Eb   0
A -- 2 2
D -- 2 2
G -- 0 0
B -- 0 0
e -- 0 0
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