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A Conventicle

Come nigh
Come nigh my friends in the night sky,
Pain, Darkness, Sorrow,
Come nigh
Let us wine and dine
Under the shade of the night sky,
Where Darkness is all we see.
Come nigh
Away with the pangs of mortality,
Let us feast on the passion of the night sky.
Come nigh
My friends
Come nigh.

Anathematize The Sanguinary Conventicle

Cold blooded fate blinds their faith. Sanguinary Believers on the berth of anathema. Sect of worship as dark as the night, anathematize We pray thee, this conventicle. All that dissipates the joy in the air are throes Of wasted parturition.

Death condemns our parturition,
On our shoulders we bear the brunt of this sanguinary
Gathering of soldiers, garnering throes
Of anguish. Darkening skies herald this anathema.
Delirium deglamorizes this conventicle.
The sun darkens, the moon rescinds. We pray thee anathematize.

Beneath the bloody skies at dawn, anathematize
These infidels, subject their parturition
To worthlessness, like the dearth of life in the conventicle.
Harbingers of doom celebrate pleasure in sanguinary
Rituals, marching on the path of destruction. This anathema
Silence our symphony of joy. What we play are throes.

They dispose of their trail, throes
Of orphanized creatures at the mercy of nature, anathematize
We pray thee, this anathema.
Ravaging peace as a Leviathan does its prey. Parturition
Is akin to death. Sanguinary
Sect of worship. Livid conventicle.

Soldiers of fortune baulk not in this conventicle.

Eager to change our lucid laughter to a cacophony of throes.

The vast desert is the playground of the sanguinary

Gathering of soldiers. Disheartening parturition

Has become our lot. Anathematize

We pray thee, this anathema.

Like the mountains endure the infernal depths of the sun, the anathema Subject our bodies to stoicism, feigning courage. Conventicle Of mercenaries revel in neutering the joys of parturition. Gaping at hope in the skies, our throes

Of rejection fleets with the passing wind, anathematize We pray thee, this sect of worship so sanguinary.

On the verge of anathema, our rather eloquent throes Deepens with anguish through the conventicle, they anathematize Our joys of parturition, this sect of worship so sanguinary.

Another Morbid Tale

And I sit at the table, With the immortals, A chalice heralds The gothic chandelier Illuminating the dimly lit room. Sanguinary We are sanguinary. The golden chalice holds the blood of the immortals, Intricate chalice in-laid with gemstones I slice my wrists, with a silver blade, And lean towards the chalice She accepts my blood with a morose smile. Tenderly, I hoist her I offer her to the god of the four winds, I bring her to my lips, And taste life anew The angels below, Play their symphony In hellish growls And herald my indoctrination, Into the cult of the immortals. When the sun refused to shine, And the moon refused to glow. On that day, I ascended the throne of immortality

Sweet Agony

Sorrow is but a mortal
Browbeaten
Trapped betwitxt the walls of passion
I have knelt before her
In her courts
I have beheld her innate joy
Coursing through my veins
Like a pill of ecstasy.
Sorrow is but a mortal
Browbeaten
Trapped within the confines of passion.
She is misunderstood.

The Half Of The Forest

The howling wind
Heralds the darkening of the sky.
The clouds
Have blocked the sun from shining.
The palm fronds
Are glistening with moisture.
They sway from side to side
As they dance in the drizzles
Oh my!
What a splendid sight to behold.
What a splendid sight to behold.
What a splendid sight to behold. The hardened earth
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The hardened earth
The hardened earth Awaits with anticipation,
The hardened earth Awaits with anticipation, The pelting drops from the sky.
The hardened earth Awaits with anticipation, The pelting drops from the sky.
The hardened earth Awaits with anticipation, The pelting drops from the sky. Tearing through the heavens.
The hardened earth Awaits with anticipation, The pelting drops from the sky. Tearing through the heavens. Come now, my dear.
The hardened earth Awaits with anticipation, The pelting drops from the sky. Tearing through the heavens. Come now, my dear. Let us dance

Let the sky shake in rage As we dance On the balls of our feet In exquisite movements Let the beasts of the forest Be our audience Let them laugh and applaud us. Look at the sky, Raining its stars down on us She is pleased with our love She is pleased with our love. My dear, Even heaven is smiling down on us In the half of this forest. Shane McKnight

Let the moon hide behind the clouds in envy

Under The Watchful Gaze Of The Stars

The eerie glow of the twilight

Agrees dearly with the still of the wind

Its translucent rays shower the wet ground

Like diamond stones in the mines

The unique atmosphere aligns with our benign innocence

Yes. What a masterpiece of God's magnificence.

If I could,

Tell of my life's journey

I would

Through my lines of poetry

The gentle atmosphere

Sits atop fleeting darkness

In a warm and fuzzy night

In cold June.

Like a charming prince

On a shiny white horse

I shall ride on the trail of the stars

On this bright crescent

I shall relinquish my quest for power

And scale this tower of uncertainty

I shall ride,

And slay this reddragon

Called distance.

The bonfire blazes mildly

At our feet,

And shoots warm feelings of passion to our hearts.

In your hands laid mine

I could feel the gentle stream of blood

Flowing through your veins.

Tenderly, I stared into your eyes

They hid the truth within your lies

Under the watchful gaze of the stars we laid

All our fears were allayed.

When finally, I beheld your beauty in the twilight

It drained my might

Down my spine ran a chill

I tried, yet could not distill

The tension your beauty brought

All on my face it wrought

If I could
I would pluck every star
Out of the sky
And string them
On the tail of the Western wind.
Laced with my love,
I would wear it around your neck
I would forever lie on my back
And listen to the sounds of the fleeting wind with you.
Till eternity, I shall gaze at the starry night with you.
I shall smother my fair maiden
With the loveliest of kisses.
For under the watchful gaze of the stars
I kissed you,
And you kissed me.