

Anasarca, Those Who Have Eyes

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Miscellaneous
Those Who Have Eyes

[based on "Those Who have Eyes to See Will See" by Willie Christopher Tucker]

Eight months pregnant.
Homeless crack addict
from the south side of town.
Angel All alone.
Can't decide
If to confide.
Caught in a lifestyle
for which she knows no relief.
Day after day,
Night after night,
utterly impoverished
surrounded by filth.
Depressed,
and wishing she were dead.
Low self- esteem,
only seventeen.
Been molested,
been raped,
been beaten to the ground
been molested,
been raped,
by the men that promised
to keep her safe and sound.

Low self- esteem,
only seventeen.
Forced to sell her body
and tormented soul -
Depressed,
and wishing she were dead.
Talking to her unborn child -
no one else listens to what she says.
"How long God must I suffer this way,
Please don't force me to endure another day"
Angel is pregnant -
baby, one month due.
I remember her say -
those who have eyes to see
Will see.
In what she said
I surmised
That look on her face -
with tears in her eyes.
To escape her pain
she decides life ain't worth livin'.
Angel walks into the path
of the Marta Train,
The nine forty- five.