## Angel Corpse, Scapegoat

I who wait and writhe and wrestle With air that hath no boughs to nestle My body weary of empty clasp Give me the sign of the Open Eye And the token erect of thorny thigh And the word of madness and mystery Scapegoat I am a man Do as thou wilt as a great god can I am awake In the grip of the snake The eagle slashes with beak and claw The gods withdraw The great beasts come Scapegoat Goat of thy flock I am gold I am god Flesh to thy bone-flower to thy rod Thrust the sword through the galling fetter With hoofs of steel I race on the rocks Through solstice stubborn to equinox All-devourer-all-begetter And I rave And I rape and I rip and I rend Everlasting-world without end Scapegoat