David Baerwald, A Bitter Tree

I saw my father naked drunk and helpless And he was lying on the floor He was naked drunk and helpless And he was lying on the floor With a most peculiar woman Whom I'd never seen before She was a most peculiar woman That I'd never seen before

Forgiveness, forgiveness Has never meant a damn to me Seems like a bitter apple At the root of a bitter tree

The room was strewn with tarot cards Empty bottles lined the wall The room was strewn with tarot cards Empty bottles lined the wall He braced himself against the door Fell lightly to the floor He braced himself against the door Fell lightly to the floor I'd never felt so close to him Any time before

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