

Manowar, Dark Avenger

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He broke the laws of the elders
So they blocked out his eye,
Took his land and fortune,
Left him to die

Bound on the shoreline,
Left for the tide,
Seizes life, blood leaving...
Circling lower, the vultures fly

His bones may be broken
But the spirit can't die
And the Gods see his anguish
And give him a sign

From the floor of the ocean
The ship of the lost souls rise
And they take him where no one sleeps while the undead cry,
Where no one sleeps while the undead cry...

And in the world above
The elders sing,
On his land they live...
Let death bell ring

[Narration:]
He was met at the gate of Hades
By the Guardian of the Lost Souls,
The Keeper of the Unavenged
And He did say to him:
"Let you not pass
Abandon
Return to the world
From once you came
And seek payment
Not only for thy known anguish
But vindicate the souls
Of the Unavenged"

And they placed in his hands
A sword
Made for him
Called: Vengeance
Forged in brimstone
And tempered
By the Wolf in tears of the Unavenged

And to carry him up on his journey
Back to the upper world
They brought forth
Their Demon horse
Called: Black Death
A grim steed
So fiercely might
And black in colour
That he could stand as one: Darkness...
Save from his burning eyes
of grims and fire

And on that night
They rode up from Hell
The pounding of his hooves

Did clap like thunder !

[Chorus:]

Burning, death, destruction
Raping the daughters and wives
In blood I take my payment
In foul with their lives

No one can escape me
On Black Death I ride
When kissed by the sword of Vengeance
Your head lays there by your side
I take the lives of all that I once knew
The torn flesh of a slow death waits for you

[Chorus:]

Burning, death, destruction
Raping the daughters and wives
In blood I take my payment
In foul with their lives

I spare that land of servants
My wake is slow dead there
I take their wives and daughters
They stand there watching, watching
Hoping to get my life
But when I'm through they know they must pay

[Chorus:]

Burning, death, destruction
Raping the daughters and wives
In blood I take my payment
In foul with they lives
With they lives
With they lives
With they lives