Thrice, Hold Fast Hope

how can you be sleeping, waves like weapons crash o'er us, cry for mercy and hold fast hope

who of us is cursed, or do we have to ask search your souls and hold fast if no one speaks a word, then let the lots be cast truth be told and hold fast

white death wakes in black skies, mark your maker's wrath fear and flames of azure climb the crooked mast you will yet be baptized, steeped in shattered glass sink and sing your answer and hold fast hope

as strong arms grip your shoulders like dead hands of the past pray as you're tossed over, this breath could be your last

quiet and cold, silent and slow night black as coal, miles here below

find your faith and dive deep, through living gateways pass lined with death and ivory, and hold fast, hold fast

deep beneath the black dawn, leagues from lightning's flash ribs will raise cathedrals for the morning mass steel yourself in sackcloth, roll your heart in ash scrape your skin with steel wool and hold fast hope cross your heart and hold fast hope