

# Marduk, Life's Emblem

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Man: So say me noble stranger, what brings you here this night?

Death: I have come to release you from the bitter taste of life

Man: Why me? Why now? It cannot be my time

Death: Everything that falls to the ground is mine!

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Man: But in youth am I still, and in flesh am I strong

Death: And I have a disease for every sin that you have done

Man: But I've done nothing wrong, nothing bad or untrue

Death: Neither God or Devil agrees with you!