

Song of the Shit Stained Bastard

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What beasts lurk in life's-long bowel
Movements shake the earth,
Birth releasing Future Wife's
Eternal flame spark Heavenly Gaseous
Angels above
And demons below
Warm, singular direction toward Truth
Undeniable God in the Rectum
The center within
And the center without a center or a rectum
Or a God outside the Self
And all the shit within
And shit outside the body
Strange beast born of my bowels
Enlighten the body toward heaven
Angelic shit like rain
To bury and release mortal
Souls into the air
Perpetual slide into oblivion
I want no more than this:
Bed and scotch
and a bowl to piss in
All your flesh only for me
Falling light upon my bed
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