The Fountain Of Salmacis

Genesis

From a dense forest of tall dark pine wood
Mount Ida rises like an island
Within a hidden cave, nymphs had kept a child
Hermaphroditus, son of Gods, so afraid of their love
As the dawn creeps up the sky
The hunter caught sight of a doe
In desire for conquest
He found himself within a glade, he'd not beheld before
Where are you, my father?
Give wisdom to your son
And as his strengths began to fail
He saw a shimmering lake
A shadow in the dark green depths
Disturbed the strange tranquility
The waters are disturbed
Some creature has been stirred
As he rushed to quench his thirst
A fountain spring appeared before him
And as his heated breath brushed through the cool mist
A liquid voice called, "Son of Gods, drink from my spring"
The water tasted strangely sweet

Behind him the voice called again
He turned and saw her, in a cloak of mist alone
And as he gazed, her eyes were filled with the darkness of the lake
We shall be one
We shall be joined as one
Away from me cold-blooded woman
Your thirst is not mine
Nothing will cause us to part
Hear me, oh Gods
Unearthly calm descended from the sky
And then their flesh and bones were strangely merged
Forever to be joined as one
The creature crawled into the lake
A fading voice was heard, "And I beg, yes I beg
That all who touch this spring may share my fate"
We are the one
We are the one

Both had given everything they had
A lover's dream had been fulfilled at last
Forever still beneath the lake

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