

# Requiem

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O great fanged mother  
I call upon thee  
Arise... with vengeance  
and a voice of blasphemy  
(bring out your dead)  
touch, taste, feel...  
NO DON'T DO IT. STOP  
(I'm sorry, no, I can't, please can you hear me? Help me.)  
That's impossible  
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE STOP LISTENING!  
"as long as you're under my roof you will respect me!"  
(HELP ME STOP THEM BEFORE I DO)  
"AS LONG AS YOU'RE UNDER MY ROOF, YOU WILL RESPECT ME!"  
the only truth is suffering  
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& it's ok to hate yourself,  
just lay still don't cry for help.  
every time he comes, you disappear.  
NO NO NO  
RUN ANYWHERE YOU CAN  
IT'S COMING  
the suffering is HERE.  
I'M SICK BUT I NEED MY DISEASE.  
(no one is safe, nowhere is safe)  
I'M SORRY, it was a mistake  
someone let me out of here,  
Please let me out of here,  
GO AWAY GO AWAY GO AWAY  
[ghost child sings]surrender is your only hope

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