## The Prize of Beauty

## **My Dying Bride**

I cannot turn

Turn my life unto you

What must I doA storm of ebony hair

A hail of wickedness

Handsome as a God

Wild and shameless Given the prize of beauty

Image of wretchedness

Divine like no other

Kiss the poison breastFlamed like the sun

Lives made undone

Words soft as snow

Souls claimed and wonAn opiate drugged haze

Beds of shapeless dust

Cries all night

Dreams of filthy lustLair of hopelessness

Mires of sorrow, never fails

Our lives are borrowed

Hold fast my soulShe waits for me in my dreams

Every night misery brings

Haunts my day, haunts my wake

Oh, my Lord can't you feel her grow inside of meTearing my mind

For once my Lord please help me

Believe in youShe claims the day in her name

Over you and over me

We dare to be, be ourselves

Next to her and all her warShe comes our way

And takes the day

From my hands

It is her way The milk of woman fills up my

Branching veins and lonely heart

Trembling children, she adores

And gives flight to her artWhen April sheds

Her fitful rain

Glory be, we may live againTruly, my hope will perish within her

Truly, as always I cannot forgive her

Cruelly she keeps me near to her

Forever to this day

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