Kheftiu Asar Butchiu

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Kheftin Asar Butbiu Enemies of Osiris Who Are To Be Burned Let There Be Fetters on Your Arms Let There Be Shackles on Your Necks Let There Be Chains Upon You Ye Shall Be Hacked to Pieces For What Ye Have Done To Osiris You Have Put His Mysteries Behind Your Backs You Hath Dragged the Statue of the God From The Secret Place You Hath Desecrated The Hidden Things of the Great One You Are Doomed To Stand And Receive in Your Faces The Fire Which Serpent Khetti Is About To Spit At YouKhetti Great Serpent Who Lieth In Undulations Before the Damned Khetti

Open Thy Mouth Distend Thy Jaws

Belch Forth Thy Flames Against My

Fathers Enemies

Burn Up Their Bodies

Consume their Souls

By the Fire Which Issueth From Thy Mouth

And By The Flames Which Art In Thy BodyThe Fire Which Is in the Serpent Khetti

Shall Come Forth

And Blaze Against The Enemies of Osiris

Whosoever Knoweth How to Use

These Words of Power

Against the Serpent Shall Be As One

Who Doth Not Enter Upon His Fiery Path[In the Book of Gates, another text describing the Egyptian underworld, within the Eighth Division of Night is the Gate of Set-Hra. The scenes depicted in this chapter describe some of the tortures which are inflicted upon the original enemies of Osiris. It is impossible for Osiris to slay all of his enemies at once, even though they are in his power. While various batches of them are awaiting their turn at the Block of Slaughter, they are kept tightly fettered and bound. One of the forms of the torture depicted described the "Kheftin Asar Butchiu," i.e., the enemies of Osiris who are to be burned. Their arms are tied behind their backs in positions which cause intense pain, and they are doomed to stand and receive in their faces the fire which the serpent Khetti is about to spit at them, and then be hacked to pieaces and burnt. Horus

commands the serpent Khetti, saying "Open thy mouth! Distend thy jaws and belch forth thy flames against my father's enemies! Consume their souls by the fire which issueth from thy mouth and by the flames which art in thy body."]

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