I May Know The Word

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I may know the word
But not say it
I may know the truth
But not face it
I may hear a sound
A whisper
Sacred and profound
But turn my head indifferent
I may know the word
But not say it
I may love the fruit
But not taste it
I may know the way
To comfort and
To soothe a worried face
But fold my hands indifferent
If I'm on my knees, I'm begging now
If I'm on my knees gropin' in the dark
I'd be praying for deliverance
From the night into the day
But it's all grey here
It's all grey here
But it's all grey to me
I may know the word
But not say it
This may be the time
But I might waste it
Though this may be the hour
Something move me
Someone prove me wrong
Before night comes with indifference
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But it's all grey to me
I recognize the walls inside
I recognize them all
I've paced between them
Chasing demons down until they fall
In fitful sleep, enough to keep their strength
Enough to crawl into my head
With tangled threads, they riddle me to solve
Again and again and again and again

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