Chrysalis

Dark Fortress

Every day it seeps a little deeper
I have it in me now
I carry your mark and your curse
Heartrot creeps
Withers tainted sleepers
I know every day it gets a little worse

A little worse

From without, the torrent's fierce erosion The undertow scouring from within Hollow rapture spreads like corrosion Mouldering me under my skin

My skin

Veins writhe
Bones tremble
Am I dead already
Or only excarnating

Gravid pulse
Something wants to waken
I wilt and wane
Into a membrane thinned
Between debauch leeching the taken
And septic rain
This day's poisoned twins

Twins

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