## **The Bastard Sapling**

## **Hammers of Misfortune**

The forest lends its life to me And loyal to her oaken creed On her ethereal wind I rove Up above the race I loathe

My roots are flesh and blood But supple as the soil they suck A bastard sapling When winter calls me down And brings me life

And when the nights falling down on me I watch the demons fly

I wake the trees and give them speech Their words teach me the ills of mankind Walk this path and feel my pain For this hatred and disdain

My birth is still a mystery
Unto the skies and the earth I plead
An explanation for this curse
Be it gold, be it dirt

I feel a darkness drawing near
Barbaric voices invade my kingdom
Lurking shadows follow me
Of a man I cannot see

The earth casts shadows on this race I claim no party to this disgrace To bear his form and not his mind To my past this world is blind