Citizen

Citizen! Whence came your voice Your right to speak? Is there a purpose to your tongue And gnawing teeth? I ask thee; How deep and hollow Is your mouth? What lie is too decayed For you to stomach? With humility and obedience You pride yourself Evasive and lukewarm Until the end Citizen! The interdependent morality Of your collective Made too soft the bed In which you lie. I ask thee; Do you acknowledge Your own fragility When you sleep To server the "Great Good"? United in fear Lives "hard to bear" Illusions that "we are all peers" I preach not for understanding In you I have no faith I spit at you my truth; That you are the burden of my heritage. For herein lies the irony There is neither room Nor air For the wakeful fire In your precious world Of equality Citizen! You are truly faithful To tradition When you crucify Those whose voices burn Alas A hundred years from now You recite and corrupt Their epitaphs To crucify another.

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