In The Flesh

Pain Of Salvation

She walks these empty streets alone Looking for something they call "home" Hoping to find some peace of mind Sometimes we need to walk alone

She is set on running away Though her mom was yelling she must stay A wind beaten bird for reasons unheard Sometimes it is best to run away

So fly away, fly away, fly away Don't be afraid, don't hesitate, fly away

Some wear their bruises on their skin Others hide their scars deep within She has a wound close to her womb Blames herself for letting it in

So fly away, fly away, fly away Don't be afraid, don't hesitate, fly away But She's afraid, she's afraid Anyway See those eyes, see those eyes, see those eyes Hate and lies, a fire that slowly dies But She will fly, she will fly, she will fly Before it dies

Sometimes the hands that feed Must feed a mind with a sick need And the hands that clutch can be The same hands that touch too much Eyes that hungrily stare Read in an access that's not there While eyes close to hide tears Or look away in fear Run away!

Passing the open stores Hiding her dirty sores Seeking asylum among freaks and whores What wouldn't she give to be in a society Not learning the eyes to be closed but to see

Now she bites the words "Never" She kicks the ground "Never" Swallows her tears "Never will I go back" She hits the walls "Leave me!" Scratches herself "Leave me!" Begs to all Gods "Rip me from this sick flesh!"

"I will always be there"

"No!" She holds her ears "You know that I love you" Pretends that she doesn't hear "We're in this together" "We share the same skin" Panic in his voice now "Free us from sin"

"Tell me that you love me" This is the end "I know that you do" Of her way Never ever again Follow me down

"God forgive this hunger" "Please mommy see" "Never tell a soul" "Is it me?" A child will love its parents Will follow them down

She swears to the pavement's heart of stone That these city lights will be her home But still as they burn she will return Back to the adults. . . of her home.