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Gnawing Ambition

I want to more than the lust that consumes me
I want to be more than a love I can never have
I want to be more than every single thing that weighs me
Can I be more than the call of my desires
Can I be more than a mere girl
Can I reach heights of glory and yet do I ascend only for me?
Why do I want to succeed of what use will riches be to me?

Will murmuring tongues finally stop and condemning fingers search
else where

Will I find peace in the arms of a lover and rest in the life I dream?

But what if life is not all that it seems? Is the rumor true that love
and money cannot satisfy?

What is it to me? Let me try it all and indulge but be careful not to
lose my soul

And yet in pursuit it shall be lost and so my destiny becomes
damnation and again come the snide remarks that nothing I do can
ever last

Who am I proving to? Whose approval do I seek? I'm just a girl
who day dreams and is essentially weak

I do not want to depend or stretch out my hand. I'd rather have life
end

Who am I to talk so? Did I create life from the depths below?

I was made with a purpose a purpose forgotten which is linked with
the resurrection

So, I rid me of the filth that clings I claw at it but it does not yield

Till a hand pulls me out, it hurts to be pulled so but that is what I
need to save this rotting soul

Washed and dressed I am reminded of my reason

But daily I flirt with lust though it's treason

Is mercy to be taken advantage of or cherished? My heart and body
speak diff languages

I still come back today

I have nowhere else to go to anyway.

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