

## Ion Dissonance

### "Play Dead And I'll Play Along"

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I was sitting alone again,  
(In a remote corner lit only by the frail dance of dying  
candles)  
Drinking, of course, when Perdition the Elder sat down.

He had that weird smile upon his face  
And that fiery look he has when he's about to initiate a  
somewhat unusual conversation;

"I am but a Plague..." he began to say,  
"I have studied Locustism for years now.  
I am like you, y'know. Human, a useless vermin?"

He had a point, but still I felt like I had to reply  
something... anything,  
But he cut me right off;

"... A slight change of posture, a loud muted noise from  
Above,  
And then came an Ego that was to be our own  
downfall..." he paused and stared at me for a moment.

That's when he suddenly pulled this huge magnum  
from his jacket  
And forced the wretched thing into my mouth, saying;

"I am giving you a choice: Kill yourself or someone you  
love..."

"The cold sensation of your clenched teetchs around a  
gun barrel  
And the warm salty taste of your own tears... that's my  
gift to you."

"Play dead and I'll play along son..."

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