

## Raptori

### "The Vast"

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Something's quite not right  
Again sleep escapes me, far away  
You're the whisper in the back of my head  
Teething, serrated and smiling

Knee-deep in this hopeless wreckage  
A heartbreak  
To tear me apart  
Swallowed by the vast, all-consuming  
Demanding you here

This uncontrollable hell  
A lightless abode  
A sleepless complete black  
Where ghosts come to me  
Through every hole  
In each and every wall

Wish i could just sleep  
Wish i could explain  
Wish i could change the way of things  
Wish i would fall away

It's a slow closure  
A cold shape crawling behind me  
A storm approaching  
A darkness always closer  
I ever thought it could  
Can never see it coming

The world i'm in is empty  
Outside i think i choke  
Somehow i can't help thinking  
There is no place for me

(the noise in my head won't leave)

"all fled--all done  
So lift me on the pyre  
The feast is over  
And the lamps expire."

[Robert E. Howard (1906-1936)]

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