## Drained

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The air's so thick It blurs my vision I can't think straight In this condition This dim lit hall Is stretching further Not knowing What I might discover

Through a door half open A painted light bulb swings Casting someone's shadow Reaching towards me

Something draws me here Not sure Feeling Drained Still I am curious Haunts me Taunts me Now I start to Gravitate

Remain composed I hear some laughter The darkness in me Moving faster A handle turned A door is opened Ashtrays Cigarettes still smoking

And there again before me The painted light bulb swings And see I cast the shadow The one I saw moving

Cannot catch my breath Can't cope His face turns toward me Can't be Not me The man in the mirror

It's all too clear As I stood there Acknowledged him In reflective glare

I don't quite understand Why any of this Is who I am I'm damned cause I doubt It's part of me Trick of the mind Pschitso you see

It's like awakening

I'm in Someone else's skin Molds me Holds me Controlled Left me Drained and empty

Transformed Shifting I peer inside Like quicksand You pulled me Down deeper All twisted inside of me