## **Flagellation**

Pleasure in pain Desire of mortification To achieve the extreme To know the ultimate

To be a slave for a moment The body offered up to cruelty To the lash which whips on the skin Which slashes the flesh, lacerates the back

To feel the blood, thick and warm Flow over my wounds

Flagellation...

To thrust aside the limits To say "Yes" to death Without fear, without remorse To give up oneself to torture

Punishment and reward The whip is ambiguous It distills vice In a perverse refinement

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