Crater Of The Valkyries

I have not tasted bread for weeks Snow is what I eat and drink My saga the saga of hunger and need The father of my father ancestors of my kin The skald told the story of my house

Here I lie like a dead man A weak wreck of no worth At the Crater of the Valkyries The angels of Odin my master

Take the dead home from battle To Valhalla

Here I am as a nobody Awaiting the beating of wings Of the godly women who fill the sky Black wings on their shoulders

Helmets hide white faces They will take me to Valhalla Not as a warrior Hall of Od Skald I be

Skald through the runes Let Fate decide If you shall live or die Fall into the volcano Or still suffer under the stars Skald do you see the raven Munin is its name It turns the rune That would have you Fall into the flame

Skald do you see The raven by your side As you throw the runes To settle life or death Are you still to see

The blue of the sky Or shall you fall into the fire Of the mighty volcano Hekla

The raven turns The rune of your fate You shall live for vengeance To have justice done Return to Reykjavik To the hall of your king Show them what you have suffered Be the man you were

Father of my father Ancestors of my kin

Solefald

You had mead to drink And meat to eat You lived in crafted halls And sacrificed to the gods You sailed black longships With red shields and dragon heads

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I am the memory of all

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