Realization

You once were there to be my Friend And offered sins forgiven I spurned, I mocked, I nervous laughed For pleasure I was driven.

When suddenly that clammy draft Across my form then swept, No cries for mercy from me rose No mercy though I wept.

Condemned , unsheltered by the blood My wickedness exposed, I thought there'd come another day Ah then, I then supposed.

No earthly joy or pleasure came To ease that dreadful flight, I stood there quivering on the edge Of Hell's eternal night.

You spoke no word, now silently The books revealed, no hope, I saw the fiercely burning Hell And then the silence broke.

"Depart from me", in darkness bound I am forever lost, To weep and wail eternally How shall I pay the cost.

How fateful was the choice I made I gambled with my soul, For early in the morning hours The bell began to toll.

There is no hope forever now Too late I bowed the knee, Too long I spurned His proffered love Now there's no hope for me.

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Then shall He say... "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels" *Matthew* 25:41