So Falls the Eagle

With eyes ablaze and sword in hand Astride, his mighty stallion stands He makes a gesture, cruel and savage And sends his hordes to burn and ravage

He loosed at once the dogs of war And lustful jaws did have their day No tears will fall tonight belowwithin the dark domain

Bring me gold and kneel ye down Or I suffer thee all to eternity These words he uttered - and it was said To mourn the living - not the dead

His saber glistened in the sun Red with the blood of conquered ones And never once he counted faces But smitten empires - proud disgraces

But time doth always take its due His arms they weaken - legions wander And one can only reign as eagle Whilst talons grasp and hold its plunder

Who's sown the wind will reap the storm And cringe before its mighty gusts And progeny of vanquished souls Will come to bear him to the dust