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**A hero's lament.**

Could have been a hundred years,  
yet my rage was the same as on day one.  
Metal was the only thing I consumed,  
dust and blood the only things my swollen eyes could see.  
Only at night I would surrender to tears,  
fears and regrets chasing me down void of my sun.  
Though one morning you loomed,  
mighty and forbidding, not even the pomegranate king would make you plea.  
Fury lead me as I leapt,  
as in every other step that I'd take  
since that sinister day.  
I didn't see your black hair curling in the foreign wind,  
I didn't see your golden skin stained with red as mine,  
I certainly didn't see your lips and the way they opened just in time,  
I just drowned in your infatuated eyes.  
The one Saturn fears the most had already performed his magic.  
Instead of panic, I felt it was just tragic,  
how ironic the blind force could be,  
leaving me wanting to skim my lips over yours

in our first and last kiss.

My own hands had tear the breath off your body,  
those same hands put you to a pelagic rest.

The same eyes you had fallen for, blessed,  
again were tearful foggy.