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**father of the ancient past –
priest of chains and king of thorns –
i am no longer yours – i am reborn –**

**wear your robes in solitude –
and carve your immortality
to gods beyond my sight –**

**i am no priestess chanting hymns –
i am no sleeping wife –
i am no mother shielding your name –**

**father of the ash and dust
there is no sacrificial fire
there are no visions left –**

**father of the uncrowned past
i am not your history –
i am the future that you cannot live.**

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