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How does one elicit this difficult wisdom?

“this act is not one of affection, but of pain”  
being borne of mama’s futile martyrdom  
we all hope we’ll all be saints

and when his serpent tongue turns your skin blue  
and his love’s rotten proof is poisoned fruit  
why do we refuse to leave this mess undone  
where there’s no fair battle to be won?

mother mary, raped by the spirit  
modern women hear this secret,

“i’m sorry father for i have sinned  
by my throat he has me pinned”

as you patiently await his presents of peace  
the regretful blessed pray for your release.