

## THE WORD

You rose with millenary effort  
From the narrow depth of times,  
When from your lineage the root  
Suggested its origin on the Earth,  
Towards the wind your trembling hands.

You knew the wise antiquity  
And the posthumous mutism of stone,  
Of your weak sense the restlessness  
Before the urgent clamour of instinct,  
The certainty of the cold in your freezing  
Body because the dawn was hostile,  
The Machiavellian magic of fire,  
The delicate texture of bone  
Under the rough folds of touch,  
The trimmed flight of the shell  
Lifting the firmness of your neck,  
And the handcrafted warmth of the skin.

Tiny amidst the weight of shadows,  
The seductive foreboding of the eternal anguish  
In your conscience penetrated.  
Behind the sacred protection of the gods  
You relieved, confused, your anguish,  
You appreciated the breath of your loved ones  
When loneliness shook you,  
You needed the word and its symbol,  
As if some volcano of intense light  
The hidden enigmas flooded  
Without respite, beyond the throats

And the conventional stroke of forms.  
A few took possession of it,  
With lust they adored its charms,  
And, admired, they gazed upon  
Its beautiful figure in temples and palaces

Like a great impregnable rampart  
Flaunted unmeasured arrogance  
Behind the mud houses of the settlement,  
The word, arrogant, changed  
Into dark silence its faint voice  
And, foolish, we inhabited the darkness.

The muffled reading of the psalms  
Where the moon with its mantle sheltered  
The pious revolution of souls,  
The collective use of machines  
Which, uncertain, suggested their mystery  
In dreary stinking workshops,  
The subtle strategy of welfare  
To the fertile liturgy of consumption  
And the chained advertising,  
Tore down the towers of the castle,  
Through the centuries, slowly.

In the air still remain  
Your doubts cementing the rootlessness.  
It, sensual, flirts with its flame  
And socialises the ritual of oblivion.

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