

Adam and Eve blame each other

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We blamed each other, fell to bickering.  
Who was at fault? Who had lost paradise?  
I was the first to fall, to open my eyes.  
Back in the leaves I heard the tempter sing  
Music of old rebellions, whispering  
Soft seductive promises and lies  
Buzzing around, Beelzebubs of flies.  
I had lost Eden for a little thing.  
What was the allure murmuring in the trees?  
Why had the evil seemed as beautiful  
As noxious flowers not yet gone to seed?  
Here in the alchemy of sin, our fall  
Made visible the midnight where the snake  
Teased me with darkness I reached out to take.