

## The Ascent and Decline

### The Agony Scene

Dissent  
Curse the light, let the darkness take hold  
Condemned  
Now the faithful will know that prayers go unanswered

The ascent becomes the decline  
Corrupting the soundest of minds  
Leaving the weakest to die  
Forgone the path of salvation

You've carried their crosses  
Bow to their God  
The burden becomes ours  
Bow to their God

Repent  
Lest we burn as the embers below  
Resist  
Rain the fires from heaven  
Reap what you've sown

The blasphemous praise the divine  
The dawning of human decline  
Its rapture will leave us behind  
To stray the path of salvation

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These are the sounds of attrition  
The dawning of human decline  
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