# Original sin

why do we speak of original sin

when the birthright’s not sin but original luck?

we are born into life as ordained by our kin

or born into strife and original muck

does one deserve to be rich and caucasian?

did you earn the right to the smile of fate?

were you better when born than some poor bastard asian?

yes, perhaps one’s good fortune’s deserved and innate

ok, it’s implied then that reincarnation

explains the indifference of richer to poor

if I may relate my own sad situation

(a disease of the present with nary a cure)

I was born broken, a child of ill-star

a punishment, say, for some time in my past

and yet I have charity, for all, near and far

surely reward’s looming deadly at last

as surely my time of deliv’rance approaches

so surely, I know that our pathways will cross

for I live a life above mortal reproaches

and they’re all the lucky whose next life is lost