

I hooked you

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I hooked you  
in the mouth  
ripped you from one reality  
into the next.  
I caged you  
in cold water  
circulated the Arctic  
inside you.  
I cut you.  
I gutted you.  
I beheaded you.  
I will cook  
and consume you.  
Long after your soul  
departs your skin  
you will look down  
at me, lavish and loving you  
in a way you've never  
been loved  
and will never  
be loved again.