

MEMORIAL

Burdened guilt etched on canvas torn;
Shroud of shame bearer of bloodless pain.
Choices made in haste mark their place
In memory collective. Regret privately
Expressed means nothing but bound in
Tear lessons grief for a transgressional
Communion known by all. By none.
Those in deed, only exception to rule.
Stranger to thyself, conscience troubled
By conflicted touch awakened truthful
Love for both. Recalled with gratitude.

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