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A Soulful Cry

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The hunger and gluttony,
the love and lust,
the song of melody and melancholy,
the pain and misery of life,
similarly, the appetite of emotions,
the luxury and the absence,
the lost thought of philosopher, and,
the abuse of time.

I am postmodern in manners,
I am postmodern in thinking,
I am postmodern in thought,
so, where is my romanticism,
my truthfulness of action,
my love of love,
my energy for affection.

Alas!
all my patience and courage,
all my glory and selfhood,
all my enemies and friends,
all my love and sympathy,
all wasted in the presence,
in the acuteness of senses.

In the sharpening of emotions,
in the lost condition of soul,
in the lust for love,
In thirst of reciprocity,
In the absolute command,

in the vulgarity of passion
I lost myself and my love,
my zest came to nothing.

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