

# Van Der Graaf Generator, A Plague Of Lighthouses

'Unreal, unreal' ghost helmsmen scream  
and fall in through the sky,  
not breaking through my seagull shrieks...  
no breaks until I die:  
the spectres scratch on window-slits -  
hollowed faces and mindless grins  
only intent on destroying what they've lost.

I crawl the wall till steepness ends  
in the vertical fall;  
my pain has sailed into the sea:  
no joking hopes at dawn.  
White bone shine in the iron-jaw mask  
lost mastheads pierce the freezing dark  
and parallel my isolated tower...  
no paraffin for the flame  
no harbour left to gain.