10 St. Vitus Dance

Waving arms reaching
In a tip toe dance
To catch hold of the light
Down through the great expanse.

Be filled, be raised, Pain recedes beneath your feet. Fix your eyes on the brilliance– Unbearable stream.

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Such dancing in the heights.
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You diminish as you climb, Leave a trail of yourself behind; Like the mucus of a snail, Like the ice cube glide.

Shiver in wonderful dread Spent on this ecstasy lamp, Till you hold your very own Ashes in your open hands.

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A medieval plague known as the St Vitus Dance was so named because its sufferers felt compelled to dance until they fell down dead. This song is a metaphor for the passion of addiction.