

a man goes in

they huddle in the moonlight
ripped from mother's arms
but we'll return them, now
quaking in time, with the earth

crawl from the light, crawl to the night
return to your mother, boy
this one more time, resting inside

(if a man goes in, a man comes out
if a boy goes in, a mistake comes out)

we need our heroes to be born again
once for the body, once for the mind
once for the new world,
once for what's left behind

the cord is cut today like a safety line
mineral-soaked water drips like mother's milk
in pools as you stumble through the dark

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arcng rocks like night's teeth consume
this cave will birth you a second time
if you survive, transmogrified

crawl from the dark, crawl towards the light
return and fear the moon no more
now you belong to father sky.