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The words you never wanted read, your thoughts,  
I read

From son for son, you wrote for me my thoughts.

Thoughts?

Fears and tears and pain, — hardly thoughts.

You stood and wrote for us to him our thoughts,

To father, his thoughts!

Live?

Condemned to guilt -

by his thoughts!

Condemned as worthless -

by his thoughts!

One judge only -

his thoughts!

In my nightmares he dies -

correct in his thoughts!

In my dreams I die, cleansed of

his thoughts!

