

## **The Satan is in the System**

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Evil comes not in horror packages—  
Made up obviously repulsive—  
Primed to scare people away;  
Instead, it perniciously portrays  
Righteousness—always self-signed.  
Evil is the aggrandizement of ego.

O Woe!

We pass off our sins as salvific and force Satanic ultimatums.

God sees.

the wicked worship evil systems—true  
they hide behind religion and run from  
all expressions of truth—ban and stop  
any who speak—ignore the alibi  
and deem any who hold to truth the traitor  
not just nations—the Church reflects empire

### **Poet's Note:**

Written in the Biaxial Parallax Form, the devil's always in the details.

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