Definitions: Love and Marriage, Time and Again

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love \ n 1:
Hell on Earth
Bottled in Heaven:
SERVED TO YOUR HEARTS CONTENT

mar-riage \ n 1:
Stepping on crushed rose petals
Made of stained glass and jade and marble cake:
RIGHT FOOT FORWARD

time \ n 1:
A blind old medicine man making house calls
Black bag stuffed with rusty doorknobs and broken hearts
A ruddy scalpel in one hand, key shaped, to open old wounds
Invisible thread in the other, to suture new ones:
NO ESCAPE

again \ adv 1:
Riding a Ferris Wheel propped on a pier over the mirror of a black-lacquered lake
Round and round, in a cage, hands on lap, attendant dead, slumped on the switch
With neon lights a swirling blaze and snow stepping in and out of darkness
Falling, falling into night like wandering thoughts:
ONE MORE TIME