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Imperious imprisoning sun
salt cured and gaseous liquid heat
They clothe themselves with
Hot black mud
Drying to slowly moving effigies
Beneath relentless beams
Then waves of salt and tears and
Laughter scours the black
Goose stepping mud from
Sizzling scorched limbs into the
Dead Sea
While I watch.