



THE MERCURY

THE STUDENT ART & LITERARY MAGAZINE OF GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

Year 2018

Article 10

4-25-2018

Edited for Younger Viewers

Timothy Black

Gettysburg College, blacti01@gettysburg.edu

Class of 2020

Follow this and additional works at: <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/mercury>

 Part of the [Art and Design Commons](#), and the [Creative Writing Commons](#)

Share feedback about the accessibility of this item.

Black, Timothy (2018) "Edited for Younger Viewers," *The Mercury*: Year 2018, Article 10.

Available at: <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/mercury/vol2018/iss1/10>

This open access poetry is brought to you by The Cupola: Scholarship at Gettysburg College. It has been accepted for inclusion by an authorized administrator of The Cupola. For more information, please contact cupola@gettysburg.edu.

Edited for Younger Viewers

Author Bio

Timothy Black is a sophomore political science major.

Edited for Younger Viewers

They say
I am too ~~gay~~ young to understand

They say
I am ignorant and arrogant
to think I could understand

So, I will write of how you're a brute,
how your anger is like ~~wrathful God~~ a wrathful god,
but never of how gentle you are
~~and how your affection is odd~~
and protective with me

I won't write about your smile
or rather your "devilish grin"
nor will I write about your charisma
~~for it will only lead me to sin~~
oh sorry, your "evil allure"

I'm sorry I can't serenade you,
but dirges are all they'll allow.
I just wanna write you psalm,
~~to read when we take the vow~~
but they won't let me rhyme.

~~I want Thomas or Peter~~
I'll write you as Judas, not Peter.
~~They'd prefer Mary, Adele~~
As Lucifer, not Uriel.
They tell me I can't write of Heaven
so, I guess I'll just write of Hell.