

# The Sculptor

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by Zen Gardner

*With a slow, steady pace he swings and hits  
With the hammer he strikes his blows  
Now up, then down with a pummeling sound  
As he digs for the figure enclosed*

*He chips and carves, then stops and stares  
As he wipes his brow and sighs  
Then it's back with a whack and another piece cracks  
As the monolith sheds its size*

*Now no one can see what the artist perceives  
Or why such persistent pursuit  
Of a form inside as if buried to hide  
From the hammer and chisel's repute*

*But the sculptor strives on in his labor of love  
Though he strikes with the force of a blow  
To free the form that's entombed inside  
...alas David, di Michelangelo!*

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*From earthen clay and rough hewn stone  
Came the sages and seers we revere  
Why is it then as we break and mold  
We protest, or shiver in fear?*

*We all come deep from the quarry of earth  
And are sculpted and hewn for our tasks  
With strong skilled Love only seeking the best  
Bringing freedom from weights and the masks*

*So when the blows seem to so far exceed  
What we thought we could ever bear  
And can no longer stand all the pain we feel  
Or rejection and depth of despair*

*Remember the sculpting, steady and true  
Is Creation just freeing us here  
Relax and receive as we learn to perceive  
That the pain is illusion and fear*

*Remember the process, co-creation in love  
As we each are such similar stones  
And what's been begun let creation complete  
Though it carves 'ere so deep to the bone*

*So what may seem to be punishing blows  
Are a process of true love alone  
That free us from shackles and encasing weights  
That had us entombed within stone!*



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