

1980

The Suppliant

Stuart Dischell

Follow this and additional works at: <https://ir.uiowa.edu/iowareview>

Part of the [Creative Writing Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Dischell, Stuart. "The Suppliant." *The Iowa Review* 11.2 (1980): 197-197. Web.
Available at: <https://doi.org/10.17077/0021-065X.2612>

This Contents is brought to you for free and open access by Iowa Research Online. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Iowa Review by an authorized administrator of Iowa Research Online. For more information, please contact lib-ir@uiowa.edu.

The Supplicant · *Stuart Dischell*

“Master,
you should not want to be
master.
Much of what is wrong
is in your name.
Do you care?
Some climb like goats
to take to you
on high cliffs.
I have bad habits to break
before slaughter.
Old god,
avenger,
all things elemental,
I would not want to get in your way
or be tested.
You drift like a star without mass,
all energy and will.
You divided the world.
Now unpack your heaven.”