

5-1-2002

I Am Greed

Randy Ohel
NSU University School

Follow this and additional works at: http://nsuworks.nova.edu/uschool_litmag



Part of the [Poetry Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Ohel, Randy (2002) "I Am Greed," *Hieroglyphics: the NSU University School Literary Magazine*: Vol. 9, Article 9.
Available at: http://nsuworks.nova.edu/uschool_litmag/vol9/iss1/9

This Poem is brought to you for free and open access by the University School at NSUWorks. It has been accepted for inclusion in Hieroglyphics: the NSU University School Literary Magazine by an authorized administrator of NSUWorks. For more information, please contact nsuworks@nova.edu.

I Am Greed

Randy Ohel

An extremely powerful motivation,
A strong ally when on your side,
And a strong enemy when against you.
That is greed.

A rich person robbing a bank
Not thinking of anyone else,
In it for personal gain only.
That is greed.

A lust for power so strong
That it could draw the whole world into war,
And the culprits would think only of the
possible gain.
That is greed.

Taxing people to the brink of starvation
To fatten a king's pocket,
And pay for a new gold palace.
That is greed.

The killing of innocent elephants
For the ivory in their tusks,
Breaking the law and committing immoral
acts.
That is greed.

A total obsession with something
Like money or power,
Until it is a driving force in everyday life.
That is greed.

Something that would cause people to say,
“Money is the root of all evil,”
When without it, there is almost no crime.
That is greed.

What am I?
I am the most powerful driving force,
One that causes people to do unspeakable
things.
I am greed.