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The famous curse of the parish priest of Masullas.

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The excommunication of Priest Antioco IX.

The curse of the dogs: Antiochus condemns thieves to every misfortune and, above all, that dogs may chase them everywhere.

For all that you have done,
may all the stray dogs
chase you
and follow you.
May a torrent of thunder
burn you alive and whole
and reduced to embers,
may your house collapse
and may you be dragged out with a spade,
so that they may see you walking
on your knees
and even on level ground
you shall break your neck,
may you stink like a goat
and stink like a fox,
may every dog tear off
a bit of skin,
and may your neighbours pelt you with stones
until you die,
and every time you go
in search of other men's wives
to mate like goats,
that thing you've got
you'll never be able to pull out again,
and mated like dogs,
you'll both remain.