

# **Stratagem of the Corpse**

Dying with Baudrillard, a Study of Sickness and Simulacra By Gary J Shipley, Foreword by William Pawlett

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