What gets me now is not the idiocy or greed

Negativity-bitterness and resentment-rule of three shows frustration and anger

Conversational tone-opening up emotionally, change from past to present-on-going effects of Midas’ decision

Internal rhyme-rhythm of speech not regular, rant effect-emotional end

but lack of thought for me. Pure selfishness. I sold

Short sentence-demonstrates resentment towards husband’s choice-contrasts with following sentence-conflicting feelings

Benefited from wish, but still sacrificed lifestyle to be with husband-love and connection strong

the contents of the house and came down here.

Golden hours-referencing Midas touch, beautiful times of day-fond memories

I think of him in certain lights, dawn, late afternoon,

Suggests loss, absence of husband

Ref back to pear at beginning-Midas first exploring powers-golden colour of apples

and once a bowl of apples stopped me dead. I miss most,

Strong feelings, overwhelmed with grief

even now, his hands, his warm hands on my skin, his touch.

Ref to powers, but also physical connection-misses affection rather than what he could do

Longing for physical affection-nostalgic for previous relationship, comfort