

Safely Carried



I admit
to not being immune
against the deathly fear
that gnaws at my heart
that sought to warm my heart at false fires
I only wanted to be close to him
Nightmare, what an abyss opens up,
outcry, death, over and done with?!
I attempt daily life
fished without sight in the gloom
then we dared to follow
the call of an apparent Stranger:

the morning draws nigh, fish one more time, on the right side only now do I feel, that I am naked try to clothe myself which allows me to leap from familiar protective space recognise him, who, like fire, fish and bread is not yet not too blinded by trauma: how does one live without him Only recognise myself again as he asked me three time in a row, whether I love him why does my heart take so long Who does not know this? Only he can accept me as I am does not spare me, for the sake of healing rock-softening tears flow finally I admit to myself I want to continue to shepherd to love against injustice never to be immune

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