

POEM



## Sanctification

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Ephemeral, transitory, mystical  
Changing each day, each year, these lives  
While life unveils and while I cry and sigh and die

Ideologies and emotions:  
Convictions  
Dividing my conscience

Chasing and escaping  
Seeking that which I embrace  
And pleased by the rare experience of passing through it

Not to reach  
But to be washed in again, again, again.  
To grasp not but to endure

A rush. Not to be in control  
But to truly experience  
My own mystery, my own grace

To give and carry and embrace  
To know not by degree but by essence  
The sacred sound of marching, the sweet silence of being