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Territory

The destination
is not unwavering
the way there
not unpredictable

∞

The earth gives
no blessing
and its paths no peace
May your spirit be equal

∞

Let me not love
what blinds
the day

Don't make me seek
what dims
the night

Let me be
as impassive

as life

∞

Lead us
through the blindness
into the dark that prevails

Get us
through the deathly night
to where the shadows arise

∞

To neither go
nor come
Without staying
without leaving
So it is

∞

Greet beauty where it appears
lest the world crumble into nothing.