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Soul Eclipse

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We cower in the light of our own goodness
separating self from Self with fear.

Let me tell you what I see.

In the heavens we glow, fired with silent grace,
streaming fearless toward darkened distance, shining, desiring,
radiant beyond dream.

We call Hell outer darkness.
We know (don't we) what life is like
absent our great light.

But on earth,
on earth we seek the inner darkness,
pray for interference, call for eclipse.

We know to protect our vision.

We find the opaque glass, seize the cardboard sheet,
cut cautionary openings.
To glimpse a solar self.
To explain a star by shadow.

What frail image is this that pierces through the opening,
finds the ground and dreams
of illuminating pavement?

Let me tell you what I remember.

In the vast soul sweep of sky,
we sail on our own light
to the farther edges of experience.



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