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Nonchalance

nobody ever tries to relate
the rosy things in their life
to the good things
they may have done
in a previous birth
like empathy and charity

everyone seems addicted
to the habit of tracing
their present adversity
to the bad things
they might have committed
in an earlier life

I don't understand
why I in my wildest fancy
haven't dreamt of the prospect
of a promotion to a better life
in the next birth or later
and eventual riddance
of the curse of karma
this nonchalance afterall
may be my karma
already scripted in my genome

Darkness Dancing

you want to admire
and be admired
you want to love
and be loved
you want to hug
and be hugged
you want to kiss
and be kissed

when these don't happen
you want to hate
and be hated

you want to kick
and be kicked
you want to kill
and be killed

the world isn't kind
to anyone
especially to those
who seek kindness

no cheer
but only tears
in every eye

no light
but darkness around
dancing devilishly
to smother and squeeze

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