

LIKE SUNRAYS IN THE EVENING

I loved you with an unguarded heart,
and friendship became a quiet belief.
I trusted the light within your words,
like sunrays in the evening.
We shared our silence beneath old trees,
and found warmth in ordinary moments.
I thought some bonds were made to remain,
like sunrays in the evening.
Then distance grew between familiar hearts,
and doubt entered where trust once lived.
Still, I searched for the friend I knew,
like sunrays in the evening.
Betrayal hurt because belief was real,
and treason came through a trusted door.
Yet something gentle remained within me,
like sunrays in the evening.
You became an enemy I never wanted,
while memories refused to become bitter.
I learned that forgiveness can live with distance,
like sunrays in the evening.
The trees kept standing after every storm,
the river kept moving toward the sea.
Nature taught me that endings hold beginnings,
like sunrays in the evening.
I lost the friendship, but not my faith,
I lost the trust, but found myself.
And what you could not destroy still shines,
like sunrays in the evening.

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