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Piety

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PIETY

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Insight or invocation:

Absent God,
is fear the ineluctable
weight of sleep?
I Am in a word
unbound:
every thought forged into
moments reconsidered.

His name I cannot see.

A sun-addled vagrant sits
with his back to the clamor
of shaded bistro smiles, alone
as I sit a half-hour after
the opening hymn -
I wish I'd talked to him instead.