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Sacrificial children only exist
in fables or Bible stories.
Do you forgive me
or hate me for living without you?

What do you see from your new home?
Do you live in Heaven or Hell?
Dream of our fantastical life?
Tickling each other
until one of us laughs.

I feel the softness of your hair
between my fingernails
and the emptiness of each reason.

I remember
hoping for a miscarriage,
denying your sanctity
so guilt would disappear.

Daily pangs fill my womb
as penance of our severance.
I curse myself for fucking,
Fuck god for existing.

Celebrate you eternally.