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1.

You kiss and wonder
what it might be like
to dance with skyscrapers.

2.

Even the wind-wounded
dust
is a signature of the new.

3.

Clouds peer over the trees
like anxious faces
waiting to be born.

4.

The boat moored,
all night
the sea moans.

5.

When her hair brushing
clarifies
much philosophy

6.

Morning sickness,
your hand rubbing her back,
she nods, straightens her hair.

7.

Hand in hand
through the graveyard,
whispering the language of stones.

8.

Under the Christmas tree,
remembering how Christmas bulbs
once knew what was what.

9.

Watching you,
she blows out one candle,
then the other.

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