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What if the heaven we seek
is not above but beneath our feet? *Selah.*

We stare into the nothingness
of the skies. *Selah.* Hoping to see a hand extended

from the far reach
of the kernels of the heavens. *Selah.* With a feeling

of emptiness in the pit of our stomach. *Selah.*
We prefer to suffer the pain

of a thousand deaths. *Selah.*
While our inner sins portend innocence.

Art: "Winter by the Sea" by Gabriela De Paz

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