

Paris

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L'allemand used to visit me in Paris, in Paris
I remember the men, I remember the houses in Paris
His station nearby, I was his afternoons
We didn't mind, we shared everything, everything, Paris

He'd come in looking for comfort, leave again looking to the left and the right
Did we see too much, say too little
Stepping over every dark thing
Would it all be true tomorrow?
But he loves me

Framing his face with my hands in the doorway
I try to decipher the friend from the foe in his eyes
A man's skin will be blown back with time and confusion
'Til it gathers by his ears in the same human shallows like sand at the sea
Did he hear too much, say too little
Could any year recover what we lost in these?
With the hum of the war in the run of the day, but

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Claiming these streets for myself
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Again

I am the unchanging narrative, I don't resolve neatly
And I am the unchained melody, the current of the need to survive
And I go on looking for comfort, I can no longer see to the left or the right, but

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