Arcturus Beaming

The Crane Wives

I thank these walls, my hideaway
My sanctuary to worship the pain
I never thought I'd leave the cave
But I'm more curious than afraid

Stacking layers, like sediment
Each one adding weight and compression
And I am tired of forming a cliff face inside of my chest now
My ribs ache from carrying it around

Craning my neck, I'm looking up
I'm grieving all that I gave up
Eyes focused on a pin of light
Arcturus beaming on a summer night

Do you wonder who's looking back?
Another life form on some undiscovered planet
A mirror image of us here, but they're pointing up at our sun
And asking themselves what exists beyond, beyond, beyond
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This blinding light, this reckoning
There's more to life than suffering
But there's still time, it's not too late
Nothing will change until I change