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The tide sweeps sand
in soft toe-tickling ripples
clear and cold
until the evening sea
reclaims its own.
The silken seaweeds cling
to naked ankles
with a shivering caress
then slip and slither
back
into the ocean world
and leave thin squiggle-tracings on the shore.