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face it
passion is a cold lobotomy
except when I read you
soft soulful singing shell
its advocate
his reconciler
her conductor
and my lover
(being precedes not shell
nor shell precedes not being)
bearded bard
minstrel minister
you always
accept when i read you
other crawfish toy with me
flirt twelve inches below sea level
waves distort and wrinkle my view
i surge forward to paw them
and they skirt backward
but you
you always accept when i read you
i surge backward to paw you
and you rush everywhere to greet me
bursting through fluid space
exploding through water time
simultaneously
my future my past my life and my lover
and you soul shell become still my present
lifting drifting floating bloating
with life and time
you know
not dry stream nor net
for you always
accept when i read you

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