

## The Light of Hope

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The line draws low, the world ceases to move As the final wretched breath slips away Children and parents cry alike Hope can come a new day

Crying. Laughing. Dying. Surviving. Separated by the dream of better Working. Eating. Breathing. Living. Hope is an airborne Icarus

Riots clamor, Democracy tilts United by the invisible killer A blind killer, indiscriminate in its cullings Cattle would fall, Here we stand

Visage unleashed and embraces thrown Hope for the light of day to caress skin Time will not dam its flow, so by God Dream for the ones who sleep still

Keep your mulish hopes of normalcy Keep your steadfast dreams bright Keep it clenched between your iron hands That's how you make hope, light.