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## Poem to My Husband

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And it is good  
to feel the slick spread  
of your semen coating  
these little lips stitched  
already together in the serifed V  
of my thighs it is good  
to coat my fingers  
in your smell your inner ear  
nape of neck long straight  
spinal smell it is  
the only thing  
to press my pillowed roundness  
to the nook of your hips  
a simple key  
with no teeth  
in a spring lock.

It is good to sleep in the shadow  
of your fountain breath; it is good  
to wake into your mussed-hair  
unshaven dawn of cool fingers on my shoulder  
to wake into the serial dawn  
of your measured mornings  
(your arms unmoored your eyes  
at the tiller) it is very good  
to wake into this swollen dawn  
this stretched and pressing warmth  
this imprint of you in my softest skin.

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