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The Same Moon

A cracked sun hovers over ruin.
The lovers skitter like insects
doused with a dubious rain.
There is an absence to contend with
and now, a shapelessness.
Both the small and the larger.

Seeds are dispersing.
The mother and father are too afraid
to open their hands. Clever
as the boy is, he cannot save them.

Hello? Hello? You can hear the whispers
day and night. Whether it's the same moon
in every case is up for debate.
What are the thoughts of those seeking cover?
Loud noises shake the shelves.
Some of the bones will be broken
and the lovers will be left fitting the pieces together
with no clear direction or use for prayer.