

## Sonnet

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if suffering doesn't bring about  
resurrection the longing inherent  
to suffering will do it (intuit  
a spark a fire intuit Christ non-  
existent for three days not simply  
somewhere else in heaven or hell but  
in a cave behind a stone a body  
without the electricity of a soul  
the empty zeros of the abyss  
being filled up by G-d knows what  
those cold moments utterly void  
of love in the living room or the kitchen  
the loneliness inherent to this  
haplessness of all varieties of war