

Oh, little moth of clarity

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Oh, little moth of clarity,  
why do you now hide?

In the past I knew you well—  
devouring every disguise,  
gnawing my closet to shambles,  
exposing the bones inside:

every truth I feared fully clarified.

I should tout your truancy  
or revel your retreat.

Yet, for some reason,

I've set out lamp tonight.

Little probing, perforating brother,  
please, please,

take flight.