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**Whom the Gods Love**

Considering our mortality  
and that most of us will not die  
before at least our better side  
has long been longing to have died,  
do not be too sad  
for those whose flame was blown out while they had  
unflawed happiness of the hour,  
unquestioned certainty  
of an infinity more.

Weep for that trust betrayed,  
for brief despairing pain  
of these untimely dead.

Weep more for who remain.