

Whom the Gods Love

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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.