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## Can We Not Remember?

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How deep  
Do we have to drill?

How deep  
Do we have to dig?

How deeply  
Do we have to bury  
The meadows and streams  
Under tailings and ash  
To forget  
What a billion years  
Of evolution  
Or maybe God  
Planted there?

And,  
How deeply  
Do we have to bury  
Our own consciousness  
Our wonderment  
Our aching  
To not remember  
That we were born  
Of this  
The garden planet.