

## By the Light of Common Day

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Things look different  
Than they did in the starlit dark

The dark was warm and clouded  
It was easy to deceive yourself  
And those around you in the work

To say the craziness and pain  
The spreading of the stain is  
Exactly where you gain the spark to make it

As if being happy isn't quite enough  
Somehow I needed to make it rough  
Rough enough to break it

To make those long connections  
And run in wrong directions  
Till I break it loose

I was wrong of course I see now  
The spark is there all the time now  
If you know How to listen to your calling  
The muse is quietly knocking on your door now

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You have to go faithfully each day  
And open up your head some way  
Somehow

And what will come in answer  
Some strong and gentle dancer  
Will carry a song through your door

Some great lifting force of light  
Will come to balance fearful night  
Raise its voice and then raise yours  
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