## Vincent

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sometimes I could see how cutting an ear off might be the most productive and satisfying thing to do

because sometimes I feel my insides are heavy as heaven must be on the sky

I paint a starry night I seal my heart in the brightest colors I hope someone finds it there and it makes them feel the way I do it could be that would be enough it could be that would be enough

Wednesdays he feels just like a lack-a-day been trying too hard all week but he's got no money to show

so he makes himself squeeze into the pocket of a flock of pants fits just like a rock inside a shoe in everyone he falls right through

so he paints a starry night he seals his heart in the brightest colors he hopes someone finds it there and it makes them cry makes them want to take him home to dinner like a long lost lover like an only child like his younger brother it could be that would be enough it could be that would be enough

sometimes when he feels his insides are heavy as heaven must be on the sky he goes to the familiar emptiness of a blank canvas to fill it with the riches of a lonely poor man he steals into his brushes to make his life amend, amend

he paints a starry night seals his heart in the brightest colors he hopes someone finds it there and it makes them cry makes them want to take him home for dinner like a long lost lover like an only child like his younger brother like a soul unfurled like his favorite girl out of this cold cold world it could be that would be enough it could be that would be enough