## When These Mountains Were The Seashore

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When these mountains were the seashore when this desert was the ocean floor we would swim beneath the star filled sky we were lovely fish alone in the night

before the cities met the heavens i mean way, way, way back before then we would sing as if it were a prayer we were lovely fish who dreamed to dare

before clocks kept track of the time when day lead gracefully into the night before two fish who dreamed to fly created their sadness and new reasons to cry

when these mountains were the seashore when this desert was the ocean floor you and i were not born yet it's too long ago now even to forget

when the blue sky found it's courage to love and raise and nourish back when life was simply meant to be our love and care alone in the sea

before clocks kept track of the time when day lead gracefully into the night before two fish that dreamed to fly got suspicious of a miracle and asked themselves why

when we looked up through the water at time and space and wondered what it might be like to live up there to leave our fins and gills for the air

before clocks kept track of the time before the poems began to rhyme before two simple fish that learned to cry got suspicious of their love and asked each other why