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flower of a thought on my brain
smells like birdsong, promises fruit
(others will skim and buzz for premature nectar,
but the best things are yet unseen
i keep them, treasured in my heart)

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tender pruning
shower with potent thoughts
that crack empty branches
and swell secret fruit

words grow sweet
lay heavy in my mind's arms
press my fingertips

first-glance skin (oft-pocked with spots of verbiage)
pithy phrase

seedy Crux