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Before

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Description

A remembrance of a time when our lives were not confined.

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BEFORE

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I had a dream: the birds came back and the sun rose again. The mornings were no longer cold: the night without eerie vacancy echoes silently, the sweet memory of a time when touch was but a quiver of resolve. As we sit lonesome in our bitter comfort, our restraints unchosen, we remember that song of love and affection stashed away in the upper room locker.