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“She is Leaving...”

After the Beatles

She is the reflected light from rear-view window’s disco ball.
Is blind to the dimming of the embers that move her.
Leaving beads of stained glass devolving back to sand. Going down

Town still serving as temporary elixir. Incapable of saying good
Bye to flames that temporarily provide form, unwilling to say good
Bye to reckless pursuit of unobtainable shape.

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