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The Burning of Anger

If anger at the beloved is a crime, it must be arson scorching histories, searing timbers to ash.

Sniff retardants in certain pheromones. Hesitate for kite tails furling over flame.

A life sentence is rowing in forgiveness, watching flints and clinkers sink in swift rush to waterfalls.

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