Inspiration of Wonder  
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While reading Zenna’s people stories  
I heard the God of light-year strides  
condescend to speak in divine language  
that reach into my innermost being where runs  
the code that steers my soul  
to touch all with joy and wonder.

And my soul did mount up like an eagle,  
that forged the stars. And walking with the presence I strove to shine   
with its light and share its love. My spirit vaulted  
to grateful heights and soaring for a while…

But now with soaring done and spirit fled  
I stand alone deserted by the one. I hold the shards  
of joy and trudge the darkness. I search for the path,  
and seek the light, the way of joy, wonder lost.

But then why should I seek strange gods, this alien El Shaddai,  
when safer gods are neigh? And in my search do I find the author of life, or merely comely imposters with winsome lies? Hope is my only beacon.

Troubled as I am  
I strive just to be human  
and struggle with that.