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only this time it is the 5 AM variation
where sleep is rust

and you are the gleaming thing
that must wait for slow rain
and the air. The world is clearly ending,

just look at the light
starting to seep into the beyond.

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we should march into the sea,
we should miss forever the next person we meet. We go to our next obligations

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just like the body although
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