All those miracles

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Rain at dawn on the tent fly, the hum of an idle mosquito.

Then another.

I pull on a headnet, turn over in my bag.

The rain stops.

My tentmate breathes

the breath of slumber.
I find my clothes, creep outside,

sit under a lodgepole pine and read the gospels—all those miracles—

till rain returns to walk across the open page.

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