

## **last witness\***

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you were there  
tell me please  
if you don't mind  
if it is no intrusion  
upon what graced  
their last gaze  
the floor  
a chair  
the ceiling  
after a yawn  
a bible friend faithful  
your face  
perhaps your face  
their last light  
upon your face  
as they read  
to your face  
other seed  
fell among thorns

\*Dylann Roof, before he murdered them, sat and listened to the study of Mark 4 by the nine.