

Re-imagine

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*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth.*

*Revelation 21:1*

The world has become  
a sad and sordid place  
full of absence, longing  
for what might have been.  
We are scattered, shattered,  
broken as bone china cups  
dropped on a tile floor.  
I shake accusatory fingers  
at the formless void,

from somewhere out  
beyond imagining  
hear a terrible Eloquence:

“What have you done  
with what I gave you?  
You made the pieces.  
Now pick them up,  
re-imagine them as  
fragments of possibility.  
Fit them together anew.  
Re-create my image  
in your damaged hearts.”