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She was an aqueduct.

substance She once had running through her like water, nourishing those near her. But she became an empty shell, kept alive only for her physical beauty and the remembrance of what she once was. She was a hieroglyphic. She once had meaning, but it fell to time. For the society that birthed her was ravaged by hell. Though her existence forged streams of new thought, they were left to suffer from mercury, polluting idea after idea, magnifying into impurity and shaming her solidarity. She was reality's savior, shrouded in simplicity.