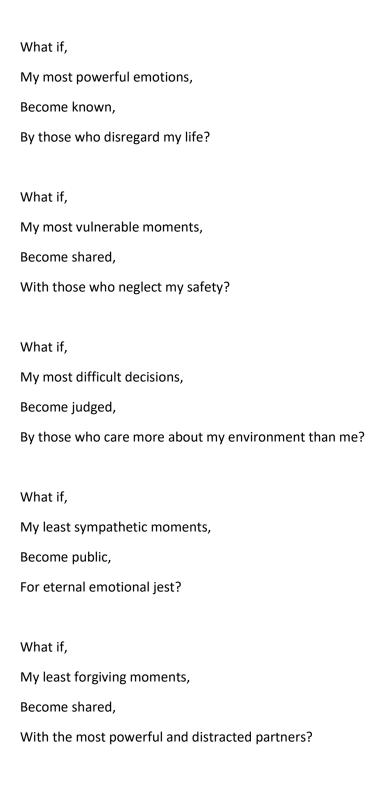
Questions I Ask Myself

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Am I safe
To ask the unforgivable questions?
Am I safe,
To expose my uncertainty?
Am I safe,
To wrinkle my brow?
Am I safe,
To keep my hand down?
Am I safe,
To withhold my huzza?
Am I safe,
To offer my boo?
Am I safe,
To withdraw and avoid contact?
Am I safe,
To feign support?
What are the performance specifications on each thread in each dirt-covering Markovian rug?
If these are the questions I ask myself,
Am I safe now?
Who is this poem for?