Mine for a Time

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what price a pearl a lifetime of searching fails to obtain?

what value do we place on such a prize?

something not found in the deepest sea or the farthest reaches of space though every possible location searched a dozen times.

how to value such an elusive prize?

what subtle means do we employ to unlocked the gates that protect it; to navigate the labyrinth that surrounds it?

perhaps an
easy, soft approach
affords direct access,
always
careful not to frighten
angelic sentries,
guardian spirits.

when confronted by lethal protectors, which combination of words or crafted verse allows access to secret rooms and hidden vaults?

for a fleeting moment
(an eternity it seemed)
i held it in my hands
and marvelled at its exquisite
beauty; its ghostly phosphorescence,
and intoxicating magic.

i remember with some difficulty now the question i posed at the time, "Who do you Love?"

i received a bodily response a jolt from the entire frame, but no adequate answer was forthcoming.

how was it possible that such a prize became convinced to dim its hypnotic lustre to mute its mesmerising song?

demon trickery won the day, the prize slipped once again from my grasp.

so near that time
a torrent of verse erupted,
expressions of love and sorrow
a gamut of emotion
in rhyme and rhapsody
to mark every minute,
to measure every
ecstatic moment.

words now etched forever in time for others to read and fathom, perhaps to locate and unlock that secret chamber and delight in life's fulfilment.

a verse required, perhaps a poem to open the portals of my soul and set it free.

do not be my jailer write your verse again and be a Liberator.

give freely that you may be filled with joy; fulfil your (desperate) longing, satisfy life's expectations.

a Love song that transmutes existence -transform my world and yours ...

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