Haunted

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a ghost that cannot be exorcised taunts humanity it issues from the 'dark side' admitted and embraced by leaders of the star and spangle that serve it

its malevolence knows no limit the blood of countless innocents it consumes to satiate its diabolical thirst

it is the antithesis of life, of everything good and worthy of existence under the sun

whispering constantly in our left ear, it seduces us to acquiesce to murder, plunder, destruction, apathy and selfishness

it finds expression only in our weakness and complacence but is held in check by the moral and courageous qualities we all possess

there is no killing this thing, it is our other side, named the great adversary by some but it may be contained by our nobility, bravery, compassion and will to survive

we must bind this demon or be enslaved and destroyed by its unspeakable evil. there are no options but to fight or die freedom is a dream if we fail to resist, our joy remains crucified if we surrender

discover it staring back in a mirror

informing us
with its corrupting visage
that we must act and be vigilant against it
there is no evading it,
we must confront it or perish you know this is true

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