

## Stay

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don't look at me with those  
calculating eyes;  
why look through ur personal  
prisms as all u see is urself  
or ur projected aspirations

have u not realised that i  
am all the qualities that attracted u?  
and yet ur eyes betray that u wish to modify  
what ur distorted vision sees

are u able to sail across seas using the clouds  
as sails or harness the sun to lift u above the temporal  
and fly? i doubt it. i am a poet and if u would inspire me  
first inspire urself

so be content with what u have now  
as tomorrow never comes,  
where are u if u continually project?  
out of the present u are nowhere,  
as tomorrow for me is as today  
gliding free always

u have as much chance of nailing me  
as nailing the wind

learn to feel and sense rather than calculate  
if ur not here with me now u may as well  
be elsewhere permanently

settle first within urself before  
u attempt to alter the unalterable,  
find urself and offer it to me  
if u wish and see if it works

if not, better adieu  
now

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