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## MAKE LIKE AN ANGEL

The climate of my mind is such  
I warn you, don't venture here  
without a life jacket, without prayers  
and charms correctly blessed,  
hanging neat across your coat.  
Grope with mittened hands  
for a door  
(Who knows if there is one?).  
No signs say Welcome, Enter,  
how about some coffee, eh?  
I live so lonely in myself  
the walls of me are thin, black ice —  
gun slits trained on a wild sea  
known to have gobbled beaches  
and strangers.

Well, come in, anyway.

Risk it,  
Make like an angel.  
Hand out poems and great good will —  
much as you can spare  
for an indigent,  
for me.

— *Mildred Riese*

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Not Because My Blinkers Tell You.

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And The Developer Taketh Away.

Toll Booths For Jesus.

This Soccer Mom Has Balls!

Courteous When I Wanna Be.

Someone Has To Live Way The Hell Out Here!

May I Please Have Your Subdivided Attention?

— *Richard Oberbruner*