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Phoenix

The bird
once timid and serene,
rose up from the ground
like a plant through the soil
or a flower breaking bud.
Upwards,
to the warmth of the sun,
where freedom and wisdom
lay in wait
to caress its gossamer wings
with knowledge and love.
The sun,
looked down on the bird
and seeing it had found its true being
smiled.
For the bird could not be part of the sun
unless they melted into one being.
And the sun opened wide its arms of liquid silver
and the bird
knowing there would be no escape once inside
flew purposefully, with lightened heart
to its rightful place,
within the sun.

-Yvonne Thompson



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