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## journey forward

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# journey forward

We can't quite skip  
this pavement, the path-  
os ringing, resonant for this ex-  
odus back to the middle—the end  
cannot be overt-  
ly satisfied—crouch  
to the heavens, press  
narrowly against the split  
ends of hell's blazes, crawl  
swiftly—we must water  
our budding wingspan or  
be consumed within  
the crevices  
of this un-  
charted path

*By Armani Morrison*