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Balance, In All Things

A life lived under auspicious calling

Shifting to the back foot by cruel and fickle fate.

A career upended, a life reset, but keep the faith.

There is a balance in all things.

Inspired, follow a new path and find

Every due paid ne'er enough, words echo.

Your years mean nothing, go back and try again.

He tells himself, just a test, and keeps the faith.

There is a balance in all things.

Frustrated in helplessness, spinning in circles.

Rage against the world for condemning without giving.

Just a single opportunity to prove the doubts wrong.

Why do years of toil add up to less than dust?

It is hard to keep the faith that

There is a balance in all things.

For every step forward two steps back.

But setback not, instead another view.

The resolve steeled and jaw set in defiance,

a rock to be, unswayed by praise or critique.

There cannot be two skies, create the one to be.

Keep the faith.

There is a Balance, in All Things

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