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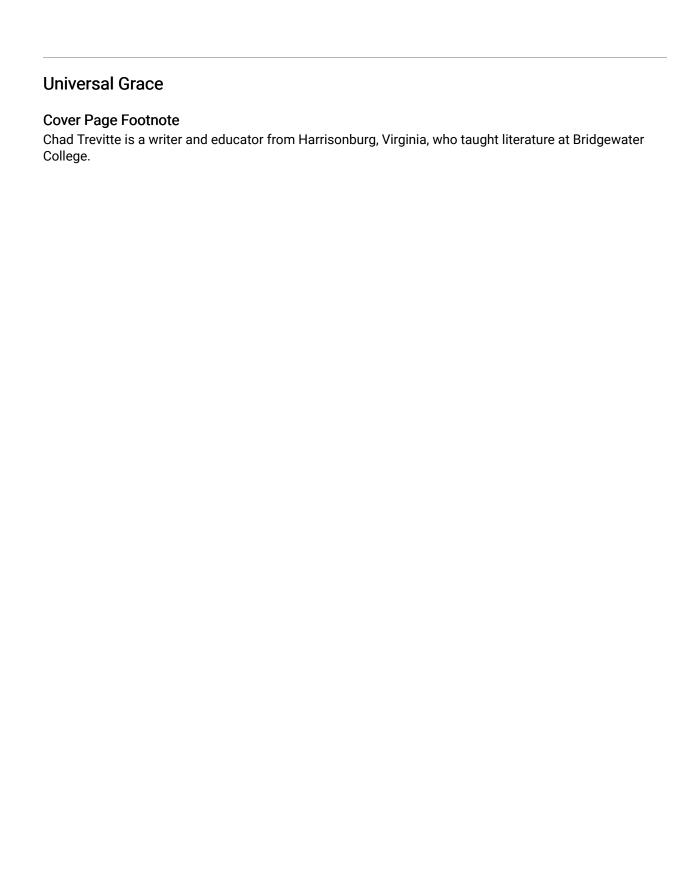
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## **Universal Grace**

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Maybe it took a heart attack, sarcoma, or amputated limb to prime your eyes for the spring sunrise. Maybe some worse trauma has helped your shaken senses realize that of the shocks flesh suffers, those that linger longest can spur the buried soul to grow. Maybe your broken heart has made you stronger, more open to new gifts of love. If so, we praise and welcome you. But if you've faced your grief, pain, and anguish with a bitter curse hurled at the random spasm that spawned you from the dumb dust of this blind universe while still postponing your pills, noose, or razor, you're cool with us. We praise these graces, too.