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Insomniac Logic

Searching for peace again in some dark hour
where shadow beasts play chess eternal
with fragments of insomniac logic;
can't decide if it's the caffeine
or just God,
come to pay me back for sins
She begged me not to repent.
Adolescence longs for resignation,
seeks surrender
as Justice transcendent demands,
only as end to the waiting;
yet I'm loath to concede my soul,
shards of a shattered China doll.
There's nothing I can do
but ponder the Buddha's trance,
some embattled king's dilemma,
and depend on my awakening
to come with the imminent light.

Bryan McKee, '96