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*Joseph got away. He never was
The type to stay, too enigmatic and too scared
To leave a number or note,
Lest he change his heart and turn around.*

*Joseph lived alone. He used to pause
Before the phone to let it ring an extra time,
To weigh the risk of being real
With the need to find what love he could.*

*Joseph disappeared. I guess I knew
When his head had cleared that he would have to move again,
To steer his thoughts from all the things
That would break him down and make him live.*

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