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Rickety wood bottomed coaster shakes.

Raw excitement builds into

sweaty palms,

erupting into sheer terror.

My throat burns:

listen.

You are not.

You're not listening.

Eyes drop in the middle of chipped glass.

Real questions are trapped into

endless truth.

desire lies reality.

Look at me.

at me.

But really.

Really look at me.

They're crying again, endless black tears.

The frustration grows into

marked regrets.

Markings regretted until now.

Good, just go.

Just go.

I'm not here.

Just don't turn around.