About Bees Is What I Say Aloud

When You Ask What I’m Thinking

Watching bees plunge into sunlit blossoms

and start stagger back besotted

by the apple nectar on their tongues,

I feel their hunger as mine –

the longing to linger awhile

as the winged,

looped in these days of pink light, confusing

morning for a flower,

all my drowsy preparations

of our toast and tea

a slow, zigzagging industry,

then sharing my stores

of gathered sweetness with you

in a rapture of emptying,

each turn I make in my dance

timed for the signal flashes of gold

dust on my feet on my hands on your face.

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