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Beach Picnic

If you want to feed
the hungry birds of the world
you must have patience.

And you must have bread.

If you want to feed
the hungry children of the world,
wilderness voices crying
from caves and open spaces,
you must have mustard seeds.

And you must have water.

If you want to feed
the hungry corpses of the world,
walking to and fro
in shopping malls,
you must cut yourself
into pieces of every shape
and size imaginable
and give yourself away
for free.