

FALL

standard tuning

What if the highest destination
Of any given human life
Was not a place that you could reach if
You had to climb
Wasn't up above like heaven
So no need to fly at all
What if to reach the highest place
You had to fall

Fall, like a drunkard on your face
Like a parachuter jumping from a plane
Fall, like an astronaut from space
Or an acrobat from making a mistake

And what if all the sages
Talking about realms out of reach
Would memorize the pages
Of gravity
What if getting to the highest place is
Like learning what you know
Or like going to where you are now
Like coming home

Fall, like Adam falling down
From the strange, unearthly angels
whence he came
Fall, finding a way of trusting in the ground
As if the highest and the lowest places
Are the same

What if the highest destination
Wasn't up above at all
What if, to reach the highest place
You had to fall
What if you had to fall