

### **Failure**

Spurned by desperation for warmth  
He chases embers  
Faint and distant in the dark  
The only thing that guides his feet  
As he stumbles, fear biting his heels  
He'll catch the light and be seen  
Decadent recognition, belonging  
But the flames never grow closer  
And the cold seeps ever deeper  
It's frigid embrace burns him  
Taking his strength, his momentum  
He watches others dance by the fire  
Closing his eyes to their delight  
Accepting the heat of envy as comfort