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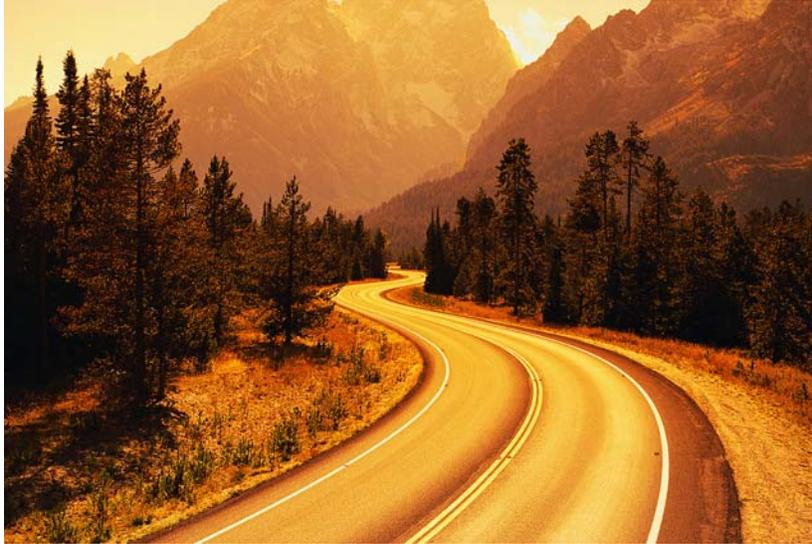
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*** **The Word**

Like a long road
whose horizon is hopelessness
My soul lays vacant
save for some un-named desire.
Laid fallow by a Word too big to comprehend;
Too demanding to want to try.
Calling *me* to holiness?

Unworthy.
Undeserving.

A Word made irrelevant
by my own lack of interest
to travel a path of accountability
And obedience.

A Word made unapproachable
by presumption and ignorance
I am too lazy to cure.

So I carry on;
Smiling at the world.
Sick with a heart tired of the pain.

Sweet desire whose name is longing
save me from myself.
Let this Word release me
from oppression's grip.

Oh!, to open myself once again
to possibility and hope.
With a Word living and life-giving
More precious than the sum
of my ambitions
And sweeter than the taste of success and accomplishment.

Here, where the horizon is seen with the eyes of a child.
Where wonder is the path and the journey is joy
And where my road ends in a stream of all
that ever mattered to begin with... Love

By Deacon Thomas J. Jewel