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Abstract
In lieu of an abstract, below is the essay’s first paragraph.

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Angelica was young and in love. The kind of love that made her heart warm with anticipation for life whenever Christian was around. Christian felt the same love for Angelica. Their lives would seem to be depicted in a fairy tale. The type with a wonderful ending. That was until one devastating evening.

Angelica and Christian went for a swim in the ocean. A strong undercurrent swept them both under. They struggled, but it was useless, nature won the battle. Soon after, they floated to shore. As they were laying on the sand, Angelica was still somehow struggling with her life. Her soul seemed trapped. She felt odd: she could see something! She could see Light. At the light she heard: and eventually saw, Christian. He was headed toward the light. Angelica could not move to catch up with him.

She screamed, “Christian!” He stopped.
“Angelica, please go back, it’s not your time.”
“No, no. I will not live without you. Especially now that I can see you. Who would make me suffer without you?”
Angelica fell to her knees.
“I know I was dead back there, why must I go back?”

Then, from the light came a beautiful spectrum of color. It spoke to the desperate couple, “Your love is rare, Christian and Angelica. You are a symbol of the love all people must turn to for guidance, from now until the end of time. You have proved to me that your people have enough faith in love to sacrifice light for living in darkness: to simply be together. Your people deserve to enjoy light and my spectrum. Angelica, here is a mirror. Look at yourself. (She gasped.) You have only one eye compared to Christian’s two. All people and animals have two. Yours is special, you shall light the world with your golden eye.”

The spectrum took Angelica and placed her into Christian’s arms. “I will now send you both into Space. There you will live together forever. Angelica, you will light the world and be known to people as “Sun”. Christian, you will be close to her and be known as “Moon”. People will faintly see your face and look to you with many dreams of reaching you. However, do not be discouraged when you notice that once people see, they will treat one another with emotions you have never known. Somehow vision, the ability to see, will cause people to experience hatred, prejudice, racism, sexism, and other evil emotions.

With faith and hope people will look to you both, and your children around you called “Stars”, and wish. Your job is to send your children flying across the sky as if they were falling, to keep people believing in love and peace. Now go and mark the beginning of time.”