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ABOVE YOU

The main reason
It's dangerous that I'm
Above you is:
 My instincts are
 Out of control
 Animalistic
 Beyond constraints
 Hungering, thirsting
 And listening for you
 Preoccupying my mind.

It fades . . .

You pass smiling, eyeing
Unavoiding, undenyng.
I feast on your face
In the daylight of your stride
Catching your essence
Noble, upright
A free man of the Birch.

I want to know your
Lower quarters
Browse your
Bookshelves
Open your refrigerator
And bounce on your bed.

I want to
Invite you upstairs
To show you
How hot it gets
How it sounds when
Your door closes
How you've been
Inside this room
A hundred times

An out of body experience
A talking head
A suit
Job related.

Stifling my drives
With confusion.

Unstirred
Yet distracted.

I tune in at night
And place your name in my
"God take it away" jar
Ten feet above
Your dreams.