instead, it is dark

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I woke to the dead and was among them.

how this happened, who did this to us

unaccountably hatred glosses

and evidence belies. *ourselves* but ourselves.

I'd gone to the corner when the bakery opened,

mouthing regards to a rare sun, and then suddenly—

though not—I remember nothing else.

I feel around me now and everyone's near

who waited for bread or God one morning.

it's true I thought at the last I heard something but didn't think

to turn, nor catch sight of, nor glean time to.

