

FRED WAH / MUSIC AT THE HEART OF THINKING

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I thought Hendrix sang 'scuze me while I kiss this guy
but that Eros error lingering out of systemic
homophobia were coming with the Lion to eat into the
wronging mind a few more of those rhythmic days that
just don't seem the same even nowadays uncanny
sublime biology looks like the haze of transition while
the nomads of mental practice check both ways for the
washed-out junction where not only the topsoil is lost
but the gravel the culvert the whole goddamned fold
has disappeared though not that Highway to the Sun
in northern Idaho built for the tourists of unified
mankind who drive by and ignore the chorus of Help
Me, Help Me singing from the trees 'scuze me while I
kiss the sky.

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Now here's the cultural kitchen *dîner de famille*
complicit with what's for supper that moveable feast
yet no nomad in our house just soy sauce salty (the
rice is a given) when I look into the wok I bark into
that mirror steamed with invisibility and splattered
with black bean sauce, fast food Freddy, you'll have to
check out before they'll know you were there, no curse
of plurality on my unclouded skin just the burning
rays of Elohim half-bred exodic from what.

Now I know I have a heart because it's broken but
should I fix it now to keep it strokin' or should I
hear each piece as it is spoken and stoke heart's
heat so hot I smell it smokin' or could this clock
made up of parts be jokin' that missing spark a
mis-read gap provokin' and little sock of baby
breath not chokin' the piggy bank of words much
more than tokens not just the gossip love is always
cloaked in nor all the meaning text is usually
soaked in but roast potatoes for a tender button so
much depends upon the things unspoken and if the
heart is just this clock around which clusters all
that's not and if the of and to an in that it is I for be
was as can set these *el em en t's* far apart so all the
floods are fierce and floral fl's...and hasten slowly
stops me in my tracks right now I'll have an egg
because I know its yolks inside and what I have to
do is crack it open.