A New Truth

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In a mouth
full of knives
you were a tongue
still soft
and willing to speak

In a house
full of spies
you lived off their lies
stayed soft
and willing to speak

To channel from
the deepest of deep
down through
layers that seep
below our demons
infused with old dreams,
and the secrets they keep
at a cost that's much too steep

In the middle
of the night
you were a light
licking its way
down the street
as if to teach
a new belief
into the way
we breathe ourselves
to sleep
still soft
and willing to speak.

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