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We no longer have to imagine seeing them coming for us.
We knew a long time ago
that sooner or later they would come for us,
and while we waited
we had time to inoculate our scars
with all the accumulated poisons
and to learn to love one another more.

We used to watch how they came
and how, when they came for others,
the time when they would come for us drew nearer.
They bled our comrades
through the four cardinal points
of our impotent love.
So we are ready.
Now they are coming for us,
but we are also coming for them.

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