

Alphaville

"Epilogue"

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nothing but drinking, drinking, drinking. sucking in,
breathing in the ice-cold sea water, being one.

unquenchable thirst, insatiable hunger, a will that
never dries up.

swaying with the tide, the ocean breeze breathes
around you; sheltered in vastness, waste, blindness,
sheltered in sleep, dream, silence, sheltered in
rhythm, reflex, oblivion. this is how you drift, day and
night, consuming time, innocently.

around you are myriads of others, solitary, glasslike.
and when the triumvirate appears at the end of the six-
headed night above the seas, the surface of the water
will explode into blazing colours and everything will
rise from the deep darkness and reach out shimmering
sails to the red-green-golden suns.

it is quite impossible for the living to travel to this
extraordinary world. still, it may happen that we meet
there even if we know not of each other. in fact we
know nothing there.

we drift towards and away from each other without
nostalgia, sorrow or complaint.

we know nothing of birth or death yet we live, think,
feel.

reaching this extraordinary world means being unable
to be anywhere else ever again, never.

still, i don't speak of this world with caution, retaliation
or threat. sin does not exist there, neither does love,
only freedom.

and the ocean offers space for all, constantly placing
us at the best possible point during every moment of
our eternal drift.

why do i tell you about this world?

i've been sitting here a long time, listening to the music

and waiting for your arrival. i've thought long about this world.

if it exists, or if it is only a product of my imagination, is, as you may know by now, of little or no consequence.

it offers comfort, as everything about it is mild, without reason, and for all, it is perfect.

and it is there where i now go...

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