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I learned in biology class
that the material that makes
the great coral reefs
is the same that makes our
skeletons.

And I couldn't stop thinking.
I thought about how God
must have kept star dust
on His holy fingers
as he knitted our human forms.

That the brightness behind
your glorious smile
must have the traces
of millennia old goldmines.

That maybe my joints
are bound together
by some antediluvian strands
of comet tails.

So at the beginning of time,
as the constellations sped away from each other
and went on to fleck the freckles on our faces
they must have waited for us
to come back together.