I In Medias Res: Between Longing and Mystery

"I am parched with thirst and dying; quickly grant me water from the lake of Mnemosyne to drink."
-Orpheus

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I Wait! Hold! Wait... tighter! Eyes closed, era; hour. Weak-weight; shy moment -Quick hold it!

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2 wait hold. wait, runner. Don't go cold Summer. Day, week, hour, Era -Quick hold it!

3 Somewhere in between what it was and was to me... There is a line I cannot find For it's ever drawn behind...

> "Where two forms ever debut... the Cloverleaf FOUR RIVERS RUN THROUGH."

5 ... On A page in their purlieu...

6 "THE LIGHTNING BUG BELOW THEM FLEW ...THEIR Candles LIT IN SACRAMENT; ... HOLY RITE!"

Now holy wrIt...

"...An Open field..."

a brokeN star:

"IT's who they were..."

It's who they were...

...It's who we were...

...It's who we are...

7 "Wait -HOLD -WAIT, TIGHTER! EYES CLOSED, ERA; HOUR. WEAK-WEIGHT; SHY MOMENT -Quick hold it!

8 Wake -hold -wait, runner. Don't go cold Sum-MER. DAY, WEEK, OUR ERA; QUICK HOLD IT!

9 Wait, HOLD, WAIT, TIGHTER, EYES CLOSED, -EYES DON'T KNOW IT! WEEK... WAIT! SHY MOMENT -Quick hold it!"

IO Out lay the years like dandelions I transmute as lead for golden wine -the dog days stayed in sigil casks; when I take a dram, it takes me back...

II I scry their tale to quicken mine And for a moment you're alive... ... but when I blink, I'm bound in skin A lonely ram... a peerless twin...

12 ... I panic swill -eyes clinched I wind...

13...Further back... a Mystery... In Josh's house, you came to me... ...in my room I wept alone -at the story of my Home...

14 ... for you're all I've known of kin -born in the midst in requiem! 15 ... And it all comes down to you... A bonny echo I once knew...

16 "Wait -hold -wait, runner. Don't go cold, Summer. Day, week, our era; Quick hold it!

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17 Wake -HOLD -WAIT, SUMMER, GROW CORN, WIDE, THICKER WAIT HOLD, FIRE FLICKER...

QUICK HOLD IT!"

18 The taste wanes dull, the scent runs weak. I kept your coin but the quoin won't keep, 19 and all I know is leaving me -that fiery sword's cleft everything!

20 "But somewhere between 12 and 1 out from the clock a new theme sprung!

21 ... For now our time moves in a line; 2 before and 1 behind..."

