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The Path

When you have followed the map which is not a map

and created the path with every step

you will have traversed the in-ferno, met the dragons and found them tame.

You will have bathed in the pool of the past and emptied it.

You will have crossed the desert and fallen in love with life teeming there

and you will have emerged where the luminous world swoons at your feet, seeking what only you can give.

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