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I haven't really slept since September crept in. I don't think that'll change. Instead, I'll lie in bed and wait for it to rain. Tonight the ambulances were crying, I told them hush, every day, everywhere people are dying. You can't save them all. don't even try to. Once it rains, the raging fire will go back to sleep, once it rains the women will stop weeping. I will lie like concrete in the middle of the street, waiting for the rain, to absorb it like a tissue from lips to toes, quell the trembling pains of a soul with desperate outstretched fingers. I think a flood could drown hell, but to God it has purpose, a product to sell, a place for the liars and blasphemy singers, and the people who are too afraid to believe. He has no use for me. He holds back all the rain.