



A letter to Rabid Covid: ‘What are you up to Corona?’

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I wonder in this situation, what is it creating though?

What are you trying to hint at Corona?
Should we sense some order in this dreaded chaos or understand the patterns?
Should we trust the process?
Should we trust the possibilities?
Can we make it back?
Can there be a lucky escape?

Sombreness all around -
Desolate lanes, desperate roads, dejected people.
Melancholy and havoc all around -
Every breath is making a ticking sound;
Death is faster than time itself...
At times like this
I seriously urge everyone
Let's not fall prey to misery...
Let's retreat now to fight another day.

“There are two ways to weather a storm: either go above it or go below it”
We cannot quantify what we have lost or are losing right now...
But remember - in the beginning and at the end what matters the most is:
the rustling of leaves
A baby’s chuckle

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Sparkling eyes
A handwritten note
A patient's smile
A physician's concern
A humane touch
A pat on the back
Human to human discussions
over a cup of hot coffee
Some clutter here and there
Momma's recipes and pancakes
An aurora, a rainbow
The chirping of birds
Butterflies in the backyard
Peacocks in the balcony...

When less is more, it makes more sense -
Is that what you are hinting at, Corona?

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Look how in this Adversity
We have brought the stars' closer;
With nature at its best, resting peacefully now,
Earth seems more pure today;
Oceans and rivers are at ease now;
Animals are happily flitting their way about;
The skies lay open now, with polluters indoors
- More importantly, you have bought humanity together
Compassion and empathy are reigning now...

Dear Corona,
you see, there are no prizes for obstinacy...
The human race has learnt life's biggest lesson!
For decades to come, now the bad souls will listen to their conscience
There will be and there should be gratitude, humanity, respect for
nature and value for those little things taken for granted...

Corona please, please, please leave...
The World, Mankind is bleeding...have mercy...
Rest assured, we have learned;
we do respect and will honour your mission.
