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The time is trembling into advent
As we stand amazed at the burdening brink
Bursting into Everlastingness like the bang of a balloon
Frightening the child in us.
And souls stretched tip-toe tall shrink timid
While hope, head hanging, hurries headlong
Into expectation of Salvation.
What does it mean
That we expectantly doubt life's sole certainty?

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