

On Death

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**THE ONLY THING
THAT IS UNFORGETTABLE
IS DEATH**

going out
like a drop of water
through the universe

all is shed
and left behind
the trip has started
blind to time

as metamorphose change to bits
the weakened structure by its wits
and sends death's energy flying past
as the one
that seeks
the last

frightful in its turbulence
beauty in its permanence
terrible conversion
that takes us to the sea

**THE DRIVER'S SEAT IS
AT THE EDGE OF DEATH**

you might not know it
but sure it's true
death might come
and visit you
at any moment
in any place
and send you flying off
into space

so do be ready
make your peace
with each and every man
you meet

you'd be surprised
that you may see him
in a place
they call

eternity