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Una Promesa que no Llega

No one wants to cross a fence
lined with spikes of brutal enforcement.
No one wants to land
en las espinas de un nopal que se entierran en tu alma
y se quedan ahí escondidas debajo de la piel
de un humilde cuerpo que repite la palabra ayudame.

No one wants to say: ayudame
until they have to,
or until they land on the wrong side of the fence.
No one wants to starve,
ni comer patriotismo sagrado
y promesas de un mejor país que no llega.

No one wants to purposely walk into a valley of fire
knowing you can't go past the checkpoint.
The rivers can't save us,
they don't run sideways these days.
No one wants to burn
under the same sun they worshipped once.

No one wants to leave a nation behind
but no one wants to be left behind
So we leave,
because we are promised
that we were no longer going to be invisible
We leave, only to be seen.