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PERCHANCE TO DREAM

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Wind chimes are silver tongues.
Enchanted I lie listening, lulled into dreams

black-robed sheiks on camels
rocking across the desert sand

temple bells in Tibet, red-robed priests
solemnly walking up a mountain path

wave-bouncing ships--their hulls filled
with gold and spices from Africa

street cars, clanging and rumbling
around San Francisco's slant-streets

the sentinel clock in the hall,
patiently ticking and chiming

bluebells, silently sharing
melodies only I can hear

celestial messengers,
ringing heaven's bells.