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I dream of cruel things
Of saccharine kisses,
Passing honeyed promises between tongues
I dream of lovers
Of tender caresses leading towards a precipice of bliss
With fingers entwined.
I dream of sleepy afternoons spent under sheets
The sunglow soft upon us
How callous of me
To dream such sweet dreams
When even my lips are chaste

But I want
Oh, how I long for intimacy
To kiss and cry and laugh
And to know and be known

- Emily Shank