The Sea Sparkled out in the Distance

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The sea sparkled out in the distance

By the light of evening's last glow;

We sat near the solitary fisherman's house,

We sat mute and alone.

The fog gathered, the water swelled,
A seagull flew back and forth;
From your eyes full of love
Tears fell down.

I saw them fall on your hand
And sank to one knee;
From out of your white hand
I drank the tears.

Since that hour my body consumes itself,

My soul is dying of longing;

This wretched woman

Has poisoned me with her tears.