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We're locked from birth in iron brackets.
Unbounded voids surround each side.
Impossible to shed those jackets.
Forget escape. Nowhere to hide.
The span between is arbitrary.
Imploring won't extend the grant
Or bribes avail the mercenary.
Uprightness is irrelevant.

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