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There Stands a Tree in the Fields

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There stands a tree in the fields
looming large as a helium balloon
nearby my house that I have built recently.
There are many trees around
but this tree has lured me so much
that I can hardly resist its temptation.
The tree has a story, the villagers told.
Three generations have passed,
yet it stands like a warrior in the ruins.
Once the village was flooded, they reminisced
yet it stood like an unspoilt saint.
Mystery surrounds, folk worshipped with incense and coconuts
Some on Fridays, some on Tuesdays, yet a few on all days.
It must have changed leaves million times, I mused,
dropping the old and faded without pain and complaint.
O God teach me its wisdom as to how to die in every moment.