



## **Alchemy Unknown**

It could have been another man  
But it was you.  
Another woman could have lain beside you  
In the envelope of your arms.  
But it was I.

What sweet fate,  
What alchemy unknown  
Brought base metal  
Into unpredicted beauty,  
Gold from the quite ordinary  
Substance of our lives,  
Defying all known laws of chemistry.

Yet  
It was chemistry that made love viable  
Bringing the glint of undeniable value  
To our everyday coin.

There are mysteries profound  
And this is one of them.