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The valley looked magnificent
Some would even call it heaven
Its beauty was seductive
A masterpiece sculpted by the divine
The valley opened up to me
Beckoning me to enter
Yet something held me back
I felt it was not meant for me

Turning back, I left the valley behind
Once more on the road
I took an unknown path
Not knowing where I was bound
I spent nights in the woods
Walked through forests and wilderness
I saw danger, experienced pain, felt hunger
Found love, discovered courage, gained strength

Time went by, as it is trained to do
I watched it without a complaint
And now, as I lie on my dying bed
Ready for another journey to begin
My thoughts go back to that day long ago
When I refused to enter the promised land
And having lived my life on the road, I know
My road, my choice, was my paradise