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Track#10: Ayez Awsal (Trying to Arrive)

A poem by Mido Zohair

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You ask me why I died
faraway lands you were
I was running, trying to make it there

I heard you spewing heresy
at the poem's very start

why do you die when I be
in spite of me
though when you want tenderness
I turn tender
when you demand madness
I go mad

you ask me when I died
but you know my death better
you're a jinn, my jinn
who doesn't leave me
through thick or thin

you ask me why I died
I was running, trying to make it there

why do you die when I be
in spite of me
though when you want tenderness
I turn tender
when you demand madness
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words out of you whimper
words about you ache