

Redemption

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I am worth fighting for
against all enemies
even those that live inside me.

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dreadful decisions
do not have to define me any longer.
I can choose differently.
I can act differently.
But I must think differently.

No one is coming to save me,
so I must stand up.
I will fight for myself.
I have a right to exist
and I will claim it.

I have sinned against
my nature as a man
I have sinned against my values
I have sinned against others in my life.
(Please forgive me for:)

Out of this mess of my making
I will forge myself into something better.
Within my soul,
within my mind,
within my body,
I accept my task
to forge a new integrity
borne of love and reason.

I will make restitution
such as I am able
to those I have wronged
to those I have hurt
to those I have caused pain.
Even if this task be impossible,
I will never cease
trying to make things right.

Through my own moral death and rebirth
I will rise again like a phoenix.
Not the same man
but better.
I shall become
a man of complete virtue.

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