Wanderer and The Temple

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Wanderer

leaving the city

lover blight

he dons the mail and leather he knows not what he seeks

but it isn't here

shield and sheathe clang with each step but that is not why the forest knows of his coming the road is lonely save for a limping dog endlessly licking the gloved fingers

sounds both eerie and charming from an unknown instrument hang in the air never falling never fa d i $\,$ n $\,$ g

now *truly* silent he gazes up and sees

The Temple

the odd stone stands taller than trees it protrudes from the young forest an old mecca but smooth

under northern lights the crescent moon shines on

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rooftop snow but the woods are clear and warm

on the stainless steel stone face is a symbol a triangle made of three triangles blue yellow red

beneath the sacred marker light and fog seep out of the

void

both illuminating and obscuring the broken and overgrown p

a t h on which the Wanderer walks