The Sound of One Story Clapping by Tantra Bensko

And aren't we are so then so rarely The hero in another's story When we want to be.

And why are we so always Rounding stories on the heroes Who don't want to be?

And aren't we are so then are so rarely Heroes in each others' stories, And wish for sounds of two Stories making love?

Todd doesn't does he want to be The hero listening to these stories. But still he is isn't he by being one I want to hear the secrets Told enchantingly in the gray Aren't they arched doorways with vines Coral colored blooming and Dark wine. His listening Creates it does the beauty For the stories to appear on, Boldness that to make Them happen so much poetry Out here, it's hard to live.

I am scraped and burned And thin and coughing

Available online at *«http://fictionaut.com/stories/tantra-bensko/the-sound-of-one-story-clapping--2»* Copyright © 2025 Tantra Bensko. All rights reserved. To make the most intense and dreaming Aren't they stories With beginnings and fast endings Cruel to all the needs to stay And live inside them gone as soon as the scene's made real inside as violently as necessary. Love, I'm gone,

I'm not no nowhere til I tell Your stories behind scarves to you And will you listen, will you turn Gradually away and arch vertebrae By vertebrae in the doorway arched, Way away, down and up and gone But gray and coral colored And dark wine.