

**My Silence**  
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When I do not tell her that I love her,  
I am withholding my love.  
When I do not tell her that I love her,  
I deny that within me which seeks to love the world.  
When I do not tell her that I love her,  
I feel strong and cruel.  
When I do not tell her that I love her,  
I twist her voice into silence.  
I silence the world.  
I silence the beauty in the world.

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