



Meditation for after an earthquake

I am relieved to see him here
of course. I dreamed the water
sucked off shoe then pant legs belt
the tie I picked
tide's suction blue. I am

Relieved to see him. Of course
I blindly saw the house
blind he has not. Death lopes
the neighborhood, chooses
his abode. I am relieved.

To see him here, of course I laughed
a crumbling laugh, fled gasping
from the house wait here
the door ajar the door
I fear the door a prayer. I am.

Relieved to see him here of course
I eat. A bird a hero
freed by death dazed stumbler
staring like so many others
others missing seeing swimming worse.

I am relieved to see him. I
start early take
my dog damp pictures,
nothing else will fit
inside my brain a purse
a prayer my lip the heart see him.

