

A FOOL'S LAUGHTER:

Reflecting on the Myth of Freedom

*The universe is laughing at you
& a host of other fools!*

*You think you have a body
yet isn't the opposite often true
& the flesh appear to cage you?*

*You think you have a mind
yet isn't the inverse so:
how often does mental activity
pull you to and fro?*

*You think you have a career
yet perhaps the opposite the case:
doesn't your job often hold you down in one place?*

*You think you have a family
yet take a closer look:
how often do they have you on their hooks?*

*Go beyond what first appears:
explore hidden facets without fear,
& whenever you feel proud or great
laugh while remembering
in many ways you're just a slave.*

— T Newfields

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