"The Remedy"

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One moment I was fine | was fine | was fine The next I am awake, barefoot Barelegged Bare-chested Bare I am in a bathtub Cold The light is wrong I don't know How Bright. It's hitting my stripped skin Like I'm being Punished]'m so sorry So so sorry I am fragile Whisper soft I can't move I have no limbs anymore I am a bare torso Punished by light I think of calling for help But I have no voice With which to call And suddenly I am so tired So very Very tired...

I am awake

Listening to the radio

Get up, Red, you're late Late Late L a t

I am up

t e I am late

I have regained my limbs I am forgiven *What's wrong with you?*

Nothing

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Then why are you crying?

I can't make myself

Stop

I am on my front stoop I killed him You what? I killed him Killed who, Red? Him. You know. Him You're lying. I'm not. I butchered him Stop it. His blood stains my hands Don't tell And stains my clothes Jokes like That. And stains my mind Just stop it, Red! I killed him Shut up! I can't believe I really killed him ...Oh my God— Laughter. Blink Blink Oh, Go to hell, Red!

I have insomnia

I can't sleep

]'m so sorry,

So so sorry

I am in a bathtub

The light

Beats

Me

Stop, stop!

I am running

I am only torso

I am a miracle

I'm running as fast as I can I can't breathe *Red, you need help*

No, no, I was fine

| was fine

|was fine

No, you need help, Red

Yes, yes, help

I can't sleep Breathe

Breathe

Sleep

I am flying

Red, it's not okay anymore Help You saíd you would help

I am on my front stoop

I killed him You didn't kill anyone, you need help I did. Listen You didn't

Help

I start in the sky

My wings flutter in my face

Fragile

Whisper soft I want to touch them

But I have no hands

Fingers

Bone

Please help I'm drowning I'm drowning I'm drowning God help me, I'm drowning Paníc. It's raining I'm flying I'm in a bathtub I'm drowning Soaring Under Larger than life I am tiny I'm an ant Ι Will Crush Me I'm running as fast as I can Can Can't Breathe But I'm too late Late L a t e I'm running out of breath as fast as I can And Ι Need Help.