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Sometime after the last phrase was uttered, we entered the gates of the lackluster city. The girls were dressed in white & silent. The city, itself, had just been washed.

We entered the gates of the lackluster city & stopped to tune our instruments. The city, itself, had just been washed, but the notes were golden & somehow missing.

“Tune your instrument!”
my men cheered behind me.
The notes they played were golden & fell as I left my trumpet.

Men cheered, as behind me, sad women came from the shadows & fell as they left my trumpet.
Windows opened. The king sent guards & they too came from the shadows to fetch me & bring me to his palace.
A window opened. The king’s guards ordered me to stop.

“Fetch us a song,” the king said. “Bring music to my palace.”
So I played “Are You Not My Lost Sun” & the king ordered me to stop, but I kept playing.

“Are you not my lost son?” he said after I had played the last phrase.
But I kept playing till the girls undressed & they danced—