## The Gift - Sukanya Dutta

It was one of those moments when you felt like your heart would burst in happiness but your eyes got wet instead It was one of those moments when you wished that the clock stayed, forever, at its current place so that you could throw your arms around and embrace the feeling of sheer joy

and let your guards down, just for once.

It was not a gift that you received in your hand but a word that entered your ear and flew straight to your heart It was one of those tones that sounded like a promise, clear and smart It made you feel so strong, yet so weak with the compounding force of desire that might be wrong, But you liked it the way it was

It was one of those regular talks that took
a different turn that led to a path
of emotional pleasure and glee
It was one of those urges that captivated you
and did not allow to flee
You wanted to shout out loud
and let the entire world know why you felt
so happy and proud

feeling that you wanted to live, just for once.

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