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# Ablution of the Self

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► **Collage** | Heather Bechtler

London lobster pie  
Served with a side of strawberry  
Plus one, please  
A dinner date.  
A musical extravaganza to  
Beautify the hideous  
Surgical aftertaste.  
A peace of mind is collected  
Engrossed in adventure  
The uncanny youthful exuberance  
Of energy flow through  
Stained glass windows.  
Watercolor painted pews  
Inside a church that was never  
Meant for entering.  
Robotic, the horses  
Gleaming with sweat  
Drudge the asphalt,  
Children's fingers dripping  
Sweaty ice cream.  
Sun visors and family disputes.  
It will never be the same.

► **Ablution of the Self** | Sarah Gregory

