

Charge

Dark and silent the phone sits in my pocket
until I place it on the charger,
pushing the plug into the wall outlet

...
and there is light and sound.

Stiff and soundless the radio stays on the table
until I take the dangling cord,
plugging it into the charging source

...
and there is music and chatter.

Black and voiceless the TV stands in the corner
until I check the remote control,
replacing dead batteries with charged ones

...
and there is life and color.

Void and lifeless the computer screen waits on my desk
until I take the cord hanging free,
connecting it to the surge protector

...
and there is a world at my fingertips.

Dry and wordless my soul bows before the Divine
until I cry out "Where are You hiding?"
having no plug-in to charge my ailing spirit.

Out of the void a Voice:
"I am your charge; you my receptor."

...
and there is **L O V E**.

charge: an electrical impulse or power
a responsibility or mission
an accusation or complaint
to place on account or credit card

My car battery needs a charge.
The children were left in my charge.
The charge against the suspect was theft.
The customer charged the gift to her account.

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