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The Old Man & the Baby

1. The occasion of to wks. Prep. + Dedic.
Many services. Do it right; baby not cry.
Old man - shuffling, narrowed eyes, gentle - beard, ?
intruding leathe face into blankets. Is it a boy?

2. The picture:
Old man holds baby. Name Dimitrie.
Title of picture?

3. The meaning:
a. Transiency. See it in seasons, bridge, selves.
How we resist it. Tree in bloom; in front of barber shop.

b. Hope.
Old man was living on hope, on hope
The most essential ingredient.
Soldier, farmer, boy, girl.

c. Memory:
Hope is cradled in arms of memory
Ram. tomorrow; hoping for yesterday.
Memory
almost shamed out of it.
Reflection what - hope, marriage, confession
Dangers - yes
Skeleton
Doctors
Nurses
and yet -
P.O.W's
amnesiacs
God of hope.
How far back remember?
If no farther than birth, an orphan -
Narrow parentheses
I am my memory
Bar Mitzvah
Jonah in Israel
Scott Monaday.
We were in Jerus., Antioch, Rome, Plymouth;
Jerusalem, if I forget thee, ——
Bethlehem, if I forget thee ——