

talking philosophy
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we were meant to discuss eternal return
but the fires were blazing again & the riots
& it all felt —
the sunshine a bit too bright & the last time
we said this has to be the last time
we're all in the same storm but not
in the same boat, not in the same ghost
things have to change, we say
& take to the streets yet again but
I've heard how sometimes
firefighters join the flames, how they
become so entranced, they burn