

# Forgiveness

*Forgiveness is the cash you need.*

*All the other kinds of silver really buy just strange things.*

*Everything has its music.*

*Everything has genes of God inside.*

*But learn from those courageous addicted lovers*

*of glands and opium and gold –*

*Look, they cannot jump high or laugh long*

*when they are whirling.*

*And the moon and the stars become sad*

*when their tender light is used for night wars.*

*Forgiveness is part of the treasure you need*

*to craft your falcon wings*

*And return to your true realm*

*of Divine freedom.*

~Hafiz, in *The Subject Tonight is Love*, translated by Daniel Ladinsky