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## Beautiful Lesson of the I

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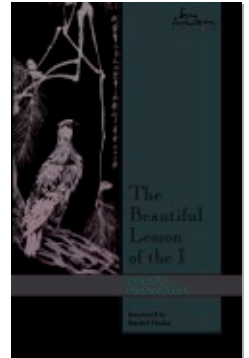
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## HEN AND CHICK

The huge black hen  
almost covers the chick completely.

She brings his soul to her imaginary rooms  
so it won't become lost.

At first he's hungry,  
entering the cage of her Chinese silk  
and she warms him with her mouth,  
iron folds, her mountain  
flesh. And when it becomes  
hard to bear  
he settles into the emptiness.