A Brief Respite

As the fire burns low to the coals And the cold night air drifts in My gaze looks beyond the embers To find sobriety within

The drone of the world fades away
Melted in the somber flame
Even the cares I brought with me
No longer seem quite the same

An ember sparks and takes to flight
Trying to start its own fire
Driven like so much of the world
By selfish dreams and desire

Slowly dying the fire provides
A brief respite for my soul
Not only in a whisper Lord
But the red hot flames of Sheol

Holy tranquil Lord of Peace
Melt my pride and vain desire
Come sit with me in the wilderness
And stoke my smoldering fire

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7