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## expect

I'm slowly learning not to
Live my life being afraid,
Substituting, instead,
Expecting Joy. Expect Joy,
They say, you'll be disappointed.
Will I? Or is it possible that I
Might encounter all kinds of Joy
I had never expected? It is true
That trouble roils the world and
That we have work to do. That
Is no reason to forego Joyous
Expectation. If we are paralyzed
By fear and depression, we won't
See Peace exceeding all expectations.

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