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In my mind,
I have already organized an entire argument,
Detailing how I feel.
But aloud,
I say nothing.

I play the scene a thousand times,
every single possibility.
No matter what I say,
you will never listen.
You will always be the victim.
You will always be the victor.
You. You. You.
For once, this is not about you.

This is about me swallowing my pride, and
this is about me backing away from the truth
because
I do not think you can handle it.
I would rather silence my voice than reach out
to you.
I do not trust you with my feelings.
I do not want to do this anymore.
You could never understand why.

In my mind,
I have already orchestrated a symphony,
Detailing the truth.
But aloud,
I say nothing.