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## A POEM RECKLESS TRAVELS

Looking both ways, the headless jacket obeys its resident king and queen, carefully crossing the St. Reckless, drunken speeder, disobeys the laws, barely misses: call it luck, good fortune, fate – reckless!

Reckless Travels of mankind

MLK, bold, triumphant, shouting his dream from the sun-lit peak. Highly educated, sacrificing the good, tranquil Bohemian sands as lawless ignorance rewards and pervades society.

The mission, vision, muffled silent by the boom of a soaked crimson projectile. The prize in the eyes for the content of his message and his melanin within – reckless!

Reckless Travels of mankind

Private, momentary pleasure +2 produces the unforeseen/unfathomable pain of the planet. Marauding, inhumane, child-sized Frenchman, seizes the whole world.

Piercing wails cover the earth like waves – nation by nation – as the Marauder conquers the blue sphere, mercilessly turning it red with death – reckless!

Reckless Travels of mankind

Forced peace by the barrel of a gun, the United Nations shunned, and the world stunned. Hiroshima to save lives, preservation of mankind, in the name of humanity, Human Rights on hiatus.

Preservation of life? At what cost? Death of millions! Reckless!

Reckless Travels of mankind

The pro-lifer who kills in the name of the cause – at what cost? No death is justified. Reckless! excuses, narrow perspectives, irresponsibly, insensitivity and lawlessness.

The Reckless Travels of mankind.