



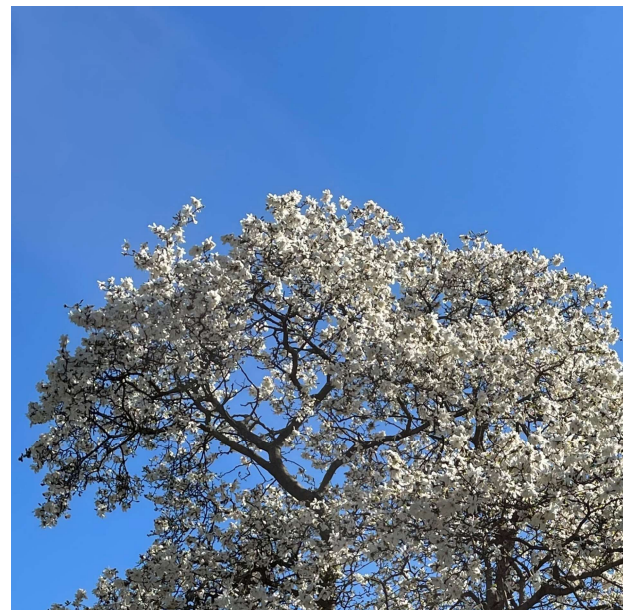
**Seek fresh vistas, the spirit soars to new heights;
Let go familiar footholds, wings spread wide open;
The way ahead unknown, welcome novel sights;
Carried by confidence, buoyed ever with hope.**



**Slowly, softly understated life reawakens;
Modestly, colors and shapes grow and blend;
Quietly, willing to take each step as it comes;
Confidently, guided by a vision to be fulfilled.**



**Each at her own pace opens to warming days;
One by one greets his neighbor to sunny times;
Growing steadily they build to restored splendor;
The fullness of nature's promise beckons anew.**



**Rooted in the firm nourishing earth below;
Branches soar and reach to the sky above;
Formerly barren boughs flower in fullness;
Glistening joyfully against the blue beyond.**

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