

# New Poetry by Linnea George: “Course Correction”



QUESTION PATTERNS SLOWLY / *image by*  
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## **COURSE CORRECTION**

they told me Jesus would save me  
but i have done all of the footwork  
down here  
on the ground  
rolling my sleeves up  
seeing what i have

a father who hates me  
a mother who ignores me  
a heart who turns the tenderness of each moment  
into a tornado  
i do the work  
ask questions  
write down thoughts  
understand learned behavior  
question patterns  
slowly  
brick by brick  
i build the church of my own presence  
and the altar of my own body