

The Beginnings

No one talks about the man who was fucked up
and first yanked at a cow's udders to fill his thirst

The man who first cracked open an egg
fried a fetus and feasted

The man who first found comfort wrapped
inside dead, sun-dried skin

The first man to look up and wonder if the dots above him weren't just dots
the first man to consider staring at his reflection each morning
the first man to get on one knee with complete vulnerability

or, who will be the last.