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WHY ARE WE NOT BLEST?

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And the onslaught  
starts anew  
perplexed, shocked  
our rightful guardian  
big brother of big brothers  
his civilizing mission  
crisscrossing our world  
redeeming, redeeming  
the heathen from  
the abyss of ignorance  
a failure why?

This jet age  
of enlightenment and civilization  
democracy and justice  
open society and freedom.  
we still dream  
a second visit  
more conscious to  
a primordial communality  
cowries and kola nuts  
no valid justification  
for such immature nostalgia  
big brother pushes the button  
operation Metamorphosis  
"After all", he muses  
"Ain't I my brother's keeper?"

the onslaught continues  
makes us wonder  
why are we so blest  
showered with intense  
love and care  
is this a preview  
for a new film  
the empires deemed defunct  
not only alive but  
robust and feasting

But beware big brother  
a new head, stronger  
mushrooms in the place  
of the decapitated