

A scenic view of a rocky beach with people and ducks. In the background, there is a wooden pier with several sailboats. People are sitting on the rocks and some are in the water. In the foreground, several ducks are swimming in the water. The text is overlaid on a white, rounded rectangular background.

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**we're not those people of three years ago
when on a sunset beach we made a vow
to redefine our inner solitudes –**

**we're not the ones who drove to ocean shores
walking sands into foreverness
with waves engulfing ears and birded skies –**

**we're not the people we were yesterday
where every ray of warming sun awoke
another thousand buds on cherry trees –**

**we are not those people – they are echoes
of reconstructed memories that we chose
to shape and anchor us inside the now**

**as we reshape a panoply of dreams
into those future selves who lure us on.**

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