If a Rose

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If a rose can be so sweet,
despite having razor teeth,
and if a bee can bring the spring,
despite having such a sting,
and if a dreaded summer shower
can bring fields full of flowers.
If the howling wind and snow,
can leave the world with a soft glow,
and if the violent, cunning sea,
can also hold such a peace,
and if a passion can spark the flame,
then why can’t I do the same?

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