If you stood with your feet in the earth Up to your ankles in the grass And you arms had leaves running over them And every once in awhile one of your leafy fingers Was nudged by a bird flying past. If the skin that covers you from top to tip Wasn't skin at all, but bark And you never moved your feet from their place In the earth But stood rooted in that one spot come Rain Wind Snow Sleet Thaw **Spring** Summer Winter **Fall** Blight Bug Day Then you would be me:

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A tree.