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Rachel's Dance
(a palace coming alive)

“And our daughters will be like pillars
carved to adorn a palace.” Psalm 144:12

Dance, daughter, dance
your heart hands eyes
are incandescent movements
reaching heaven on tiptoes
a slim tree taprooted in God's grace
arms branching into God's spirit
ankles limber, feet strong
body an arch of energy
with white garments singing
red scarf flaming

You are fire, muscle, joy,
you are electric, wind, love,
you are strength, beauty, hope,
dreams, faith, eagerness
bending on pentecost
in sweet light
to move God's people
in time
to soar.

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