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Homage to Gandhi

What do you really need?

For Gandhi it was the dirt floor,
the bowl for food, the eyeglasses,
the staff,
the verses from the
Bhagavad-Gita
imprinted on the brain, the countless
visitors.

The skill of enduring dust,
long hot train journeys third class,

conversations conversations conversations

prayer, silence

. . . and a wry, patient joy in
seeing you and I

let fall
whatever cords
bind heart
and mind
and will.

--Andrew Moss, 2010