

Twilight Curriculum

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Each evening, clinic dissolved into dusk. My mentor and I crossed the parking lot, charts left behind, unanswered questions between us. He never hurried the silence.

Years later, alone with a patient, I simply waited until he finally spoke. I recognized what those evening walks had taught me: listening had been there all along, quietly waiting for me to notice.

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