

# City of Destiny

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With the inspiration of finance  
the city's pulse quickens  
rejuvenating the lives of sacred old buildings  
while ratty sleeping bags  
with haggard residents rest just behind the scene.

Encore presentations of the edifice to self  
decorated in spheres of colored glass.

Construction and chain link change the path  
of the man with no shoes.

Rejoice  
in the millions  
to watch the university grow  
make room for the new holders of degrees,

but remember to cloak it in restoration  
and send the stench of poverty  
down wind.