A Trinket... For A Minute's Consideration?

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The value of many years of work

Is something they consider only when it makes profits stay high and things go smooth

Even when it hasn't been long but you do a lot and they let you go in a way that'll irk

Treating it so inevitably and casually not even trying to soothe

The burning sting of being laid off or fired as they let you go

All those years where you gave them so much of your time and gave them your all

But you're still at the mercy of the corporate ladder especially by those seeking to grow

Meaning someone else's relentless climb to the top can also be your unfair fall

Plus they can be not only below but above as they cause stress to build

And good days at work become harder to recall

Till we're back at the job letting you go with probably feeling relieved yet unfulfilled

As there's so much of your life that'll have to be rebuilt, remade

For your troubles you'll be left with your awards and accolades

And probably not even severance

Thinking about all praise and awards you got that never came with a raise

Now you've got to figure out what next to do

All these years and they force you to bounce back now

With whatever experience and money you've got left and all the keepsakes they gave you