Where Does Binding Theory Apply?

David Lebeaux
For my late father, Charles, and my mother, Lillian

For Father

He is one of the level headed, and I have been led
past an old barn, an old shed, into an equilibrium.
In the middle of this pasture, he is one sure man,
in the center aging faster and faster, in the sun;
This is the grass he grew, these his childhood homes,
the green and blue of his earth and sky
come together here. Father: this is a strange settling
for you, in the water of newer homes.
This land is yours to balance under your feet,
to spread and steady; it pours, it leaks, it runs.
—Deborah Lebeaux
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