

Diez Pesos

nearly worthless coin
what can diez pesos buy?
passing whim, trinket

to me, fifty cents
to needy local, far more:
rice, beans, tortillas

hunger's longed relief
moment of kindness, warm smile,
one soft human touch

legless man, blind girl,
mom nursing fussy baby,
unknown suffering

giving every one
in microphilanthropy
small coins buy riches

