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“We find ourselves privates in foot regiments. We search how we may see formal goodness in a life singularly inimical, hateful, to us.”

– David Jones, Preface to *In Parenthesis*

The 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War provides an occasion to explore the nature of freedom through the art and war poetry of David Jones.

Is it possible to be free even when experiences unbending restraint and relentless suffering?