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In 2017, I was diagnosed with mouth cancer.

The treatment was significant. The aftermath was more significant still.

There is a particular kind of clarification that comes from sitting with the possibility of your own death — not as an abstraction, but as a near-term operational reality.

What matters becomes clearer. What doesn't matter becomes obvious.

The voice that emerges from that process, if you are paying attention, is not the same voice that went in.

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