Highest Mountain

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A living mountain knows the marvelous view of the world as seen from the top...but never knows the joyous sight from the valley of its peak afloat like an island sailing on clouds.

A veteran considers every other veteran as brave and deserving of honors. Yet considers himself unworthy of rewards for deeds others call worthy.

Why is it so?

The mountain...is worthy...
the valley bathed in its shadow...
neither would 'be', without each other.