

The All-Powerful One

Powerful One! Who would be without Him! Who would dispute His rank!
Him, source of the universe all around which He created!
His shape no eye has seen, only the
tender heart, rushed towards Him, gazing and apprehending.
His powerful splendor envelops the universe; He is "place"
for the universe, even though no place contains Him.
The soul sees but is not seen! As He, who sees, is not seen;
come to Him and bring praise and blessings to Him!

The True One

With all my heart, You Truth, with all my soul

I love You, openly, and secretly.
Your Name is with me!—who would steal it from me?

My most beloved He!—how could He not be with me?
My light is He! how could my wick lack oil?

Could I doubt? when I put myself into the care of such authority!
Their scorn diminishes—Fools! Does not their abuse

become my crown jewel in Your crown!
You, fountain of my life! May my life and song

be to Your praise as long as there is breath in me.

Dream Vision

My meadows are bathed in starlight.

Does now my Fall harvest return anew?
A delightful meadow, a vineyard for me,

mine is the drum, mine is the mouth of the flute.
The ring returns on my arm,

a golden ring in my nose.
And his palace and my abode

face each other threshold to threshold.
Then I returned for their unification,

heart and senses all united.
May it intoxicate the soul,

may the tongue announce the union joyously.

With You

I was with You, before the travails of earthly life—

May I now harbor your spirit and increase it.
If I had strength to stand, would you disturb me?

and power to walk, would you prevent it?
And my thoughts—remain Your thoughts.

What I begin—how could I do without You.
You I seek at the time of grace—hear me;

Equip me with the shield of Your grace.
Call me to service at Your gate,

and awaken me to the honor of Your name.

Spoken to the Heart

I speak from the heart of the waters to the heart

that shudders and trembles, when their anger resounds:
When you trust in God, who created the waters,

in the Name, in whom rests an eternity and a world,
Then you will not tremble, even if the waters build up,

because He who stays the waters is with you.