

# **Nine Philosophical Poems**

## **Role Model**

I am free.

I will do  
what I want to do.

I want to be like you.

## **Absurdist**

Everyday we live, we forsake more  
of the nothingness we first possessed.

## **Ars Poetica (1)**

I burn my poems  
before I write them.

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## **The Humanist**

I behave. I don't know why.

Nightmares end.

Wolves die out.

Priests confide in me.

I behave.

I don't know why.

## **Revelations**

Each moment God summons seed, leaf, tree,  
annihilates them all, and builds again,  
with a loss we hardly see,  
a loss we hardly see.

## **Ars Poetica (2)**

Learn to trace or to tell  
that space, lapse of seconds, gap in memory  
or angle of view rendering spring migration a  
glory,  
and the labors of Sisyphus an utter hell

## **The Difference**

Human beings going insane to become artists --  
artists going insane to become human beings.

## **Existential**

Even  
God  
never  
claimed  
to  
have  
created  
the void.



### **Ars Poetica (3)**

I said the old mountain was twice as high as it was.

Those who heard yelled. They picked up stones.

They raised their arms. They aimed....

They looked at the mountain again.