

## This Earth Was Given

This earth was given.  
Not to us.  
It was not given to us,  
It was just given,  
Life arising out of itself,  
Blazing forth,  
Blossoming forth,  
Birthed into being  
For its own sake.

We are such fools  
To think we own it,  
Control it,  
Master it,  
As if it were here  
For us and us alone.

No, it is here  
Because it is here.  
It is glorious because  
It can be,  
Generous because  
That is its nature,  
Beautiful because there is  
No other way for it to be.

This earth was given,  
As we were given.  
And the only way  
To be together  
Is for us  
To bow down.