



## La preghiera dei Panteisti

Alcuni Uomini andarono dal cabalista Leon per lamentarsi.

“Adesso che siamo diventati Panteisti, seguaci di Spinoza e di Einstein, non sappiamo più come pregare!”

Ed egli rispose: “Pregate come San Francesco, che fu il primo panteista. Ecco il Cantico delle Creature nel dialetto Umbro originale.”

*Altissimu, omnipotente bon Signore,  
Tue so le laude, la gloria e l'onore et onne benedictione.*

*Ad Te solo, Altissimo, se konfano,  
et nullu homo ène dignu te mentouare.*

*Laudato sie, mi Signore cum tucte le Tue creature,  
spetialmente messor lo frate Sole,  
lo qual è iorno, et allumini noi per lui.  
Et ellu è bellu e radiante cum grande splendore:  
de Te, Altissimo, porta significatione.*

*Laudato si, mi Signore, per sora Luna e le stelle:  
in celu l'ài formate clarite et pretiose et belle.*

*Laudato si, mi Signore, per frate Uento  
et per aere et nubilo et sereno et onne tempo,  
per lo quale, a le Tue creature dài sustentamento.*

*Laudato si, mi Signore, per sor'Acqua,  
la quale è multo utile et humile et pretiosa et casta.*

*Laudato si, mi Signore, per frate Focu,  
per lo quale ennallumini la nocte:  
ed ello è bello et iucundo et robustoso et forte.*

*Laudato si, mi Signore, per sora nostra matre Terra,  
la quale ne sustenta et gouerna,  
et produce diuersi fructi con coloriti fior et herba.*

*Laudato si, mi Signore, per quelli ke perdonano per lo Tuo amore  
et sostengono infirmitate et tribulazione.*

*Beati quelli ke 'l sosterranno in pace,  
ka da Te, Altissimo, sirano incoronati.*

*Laudato si mi Signore, per sora nostra Morte corporale,  
da la quale nullu homo uiuente pò skappare:  
guai a quelli ke morrano ne le peccata mortali;  
beati quelli ke trouarà ne le Tue sanctissime uoluntati,  
ka la morte secunda no 'l farrà male.*

*Laudate et benedicete mi Signore et rengratiate  
e seruiteli cum grande humilitate.*

## The pantheists' prayer

Some men went to the kabbalist Leon to complain.

"Now that we have become pantheists, followers of Spinoza and Einstein, we no longer know how to pray!"

And he replied: "Pray like St. Francis, who was the first pantheist. Here is the canticle of the Creatures in the original Umbrian dialect."

## Original text in Umbrian dialect:

*Most High, all powerful, good Lord,  
Yours are the praises, the glory, the honour, and all blessing.*

*To You alone, Most High, do they belong,  
and no man is worthy to mention Your name.*

*Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures,  
especially through my lord Brother Sun,  
who brings the day; and you give light through him.  
And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendour!  
Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness.*

*Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars,  
in heaven you formed them clear and precious and beautiful.*

*Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Wind,  
and through the air, cloudy and serene,  
and every kind of weather through which  
You give sustenance to Your creatures.*

*Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Water,  
which is very useful and humble and precious and chaste.*

*Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Fire,  
through whom you light the night and he is beautiful  
and playful and robust and strong.*

*Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Mother Earth,  
who sustains us and governs us and who produces  
varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through those who give pardon for Your love,  
and bear infirmity and tribulation.*

*Blessed are those who endure in peace  
for by You, Most High, they shall be crowned.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through our Sister Bodily Death,  
from whom no living man can escape.*

*Woe to those who die in mortal sin.  
Blessed are those whom death will  
find in Your most holy will,  
for the second death shall do them no harm.*

*Praise and bless my Lord,  
and give Him thanks  
and serve Him with great humility.*