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Fervent prayer in an earthen cell While pious monks die quietly. "Forgive, O Lord, my vanity! For, what is this, compared to Hell?"

My Shepherd's faith is artistry. Nailed on a cross, a dying waif Has not my Master's love or faith! He canonizes beauty.

Raging fire leaves not a trace Of all whom I have cherished, And in the blaze, my Lord is perished. I have lost all faith.

As Andrei, I knew devotion; as Amadeo, I knew love. Now, whilst I know nothing, the young ones know Armand...