

Dante's Sacred Poem: A Journey Through Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise

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Hell

Dante's journey through Hell begins in the dark wood of error. Here, he meets Virgil, who agrees to guide him through the underworld. Together, they descend through the nine circles of Hell, each of which is reserved for a different type of sinner. In the first circle, Dante encounters the unbaptized and the virtuous pagans. In the second circle, he meets the

lustful. In the third circle, he meets the gluttons. In the fourth circle, he meets the avaricious and the prodigal. In the fifth circle, he meets the wrathful and the sullen. In the sixth circle, he meets the heretics. In the seventh circle, he meets the violent. In the eighth circle, he meets the fraudulent. And in the ninth and final circle, he meets the traitors.

Hell is a place of darkness, despair, and suffering. The sinners are tormented by demons and by the fires of their own guilt. Dante's journey through Hell is a harrowing experience, but it is also a necessary one. It is only by facing his own darkness that Dante can hope to achieve salvation.

Purgatory

After passing through Hell, Dante and Virgil ascend to Purgatory. Purgatory is a mountain, and each of its seven terraces represents a different type of sin. On each terrace, Dante meets the souls of those who are being cleansed of their sins. In the first terrace, he meets the proud. In the second terrace, he meets the envious. In the third terrace, he meets the wrathful. In the fourth terrace, he meets the slothful. In the fifth terrace, he meets the avaricious. In the sixth terrace, he meets the gluttons. And in the seventh and final terrace, he meets the lustful.

Purgatory is a place of hope and redemption. The souls who are being cleansed of their sins are eager to make amends for their past mistakes. Dante's journey through Purgatory is a reminder that even the most grievous sins can be forgiven.

Paradise

After passing through Purgatory, Dante and Virgil ascend to Paradise. Paradise is a realm of light and beauty. Here, Dante meets the saints and

the angels. He also meets Beatrice, the woman he loves. Beatrice guides Dante through the nine spheres of Paradise, each of which represents a different level of spiritual perfection. In the first sphere, Dante meets the angels. In the second sphere, he meets the archangels. In the third sphere, he meets the principalities. In the fourth sphere, he meets the powers. In the fifth sphere, he meets the virtues. In the sixth sphere, he meets the dominions. In the seventh sphere, he meets the thrones. In the eighth sphere, he meets the cherubim. And in the ninth and final sphere, he meets the seraphim.

Paradise is a place of joy and peace. The saints and the angels are filled with love for God and for each other. Dante's journey through Paradise is a reminder that the ultimate goal of human life is to achieve union with God.

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DANTE ALIGHIERI

From the Last Canto of Paradiso

xxxiii. 46-48, 52-66

As I drew nearer to the end of all desire,
I brought my longing's ardor to a final height,
Just as I ought. My vision, becoming pure,

Entered more and more the beam of that high light
That shines on its own truth. From then, my seeing
Became too large for speech, which fails at a sight

Beyond all boundaries, at memory's undoing—
As when the dreamer sees and after the dream
The passion endures, imprinted on his being

Though he can't recall the rest, I am the same:
Inside my heart, although my vision is almost
Entirely faded, droplets of its sweetness come

The way the sun dissolves the snow's crust—
The way, in the wind that stirred the light leaves,
The oracle that the Sibyl wrote was lost.

Translated from the Italian by Robert Pinsky

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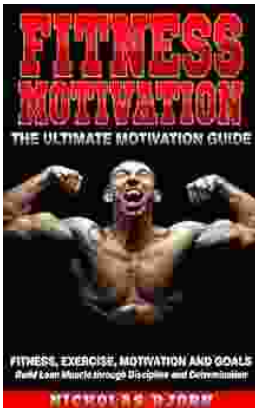
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