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I was stretched out on the ground facing
 The endless Castilian countryside,
 Which Autumn was enfolding in the yellow
 Sweetness of a pure setting sun.

Slowly, the plough was opening
 The dark loam in parallel lines, and the rude
 Open hand left seed
 In its bosom cut into furrows.

I thought of tearing out my good and evil heart
 And throwing it into the wide furrow in the tender
 ground;
 To see if by bursting it and planting it,
 Spring would make it
 A pure tree of eternal love for the world to see.

“Sonetos Espirituales,”
 1917—Ramón Jiménez
 Translated by H. Darrel Taylor