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# Tolstoi

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Er trug den Bauernkittel und tat ab  
Den Reichtum. Keine Rechte  
Vor dem Bedürftigsten nahm er für sich  
Und lebte besser nicht als seine Knechte.

Wie ein Prophet des alten Bundes, ganz  
Von Liebe voll in seinem Grimme,  
Erhob er warnend, wie aus erznem Mund,  
Und dennoch heilverkündend seine Stimme.

Zwei waren in ihm mächtig: Volk und Gott.  
Und Haus und Hof verliess er, um im Weiten,  
Dem Menschenschwarm entrückt, an stiller Bucht  
Ins Meer der Ewigkeit hinauszugleiten.